



## Public First wants end to cabinet rule

THE PETITION to persuade West Dorset District Council to become more democratic has now topped 2,000 signatures.

But a similar number will be needed to force a referendum on a change from the cabinet system at the council – which many have claimed is undemocratic, leading to decisions being taken by a handful of councillors.

The Public First group is trying to collect signatures from 5%

of all of those on the West Dorset Electoral roll, believed to be between 4,000 and 4,500 people, to trigger the move.

Public meetings about the issue have been packed, although the controlling Conservative group declined to send a representative to the main meeting in Dorchester.

It was in Dorchester that the petition increased to over 2,000 – with an extra 400 gained in a few hours at

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a stall in South Street on market day.

"It's great, but probably not surprising, that people are coming out in force to sign the petition to trigger a referendum on moving West Dorset District Council away from 'cabinet' government towards a more inclusive and democratic 'committee' system," said Public First's chairman, Clive Stafford Smith.

"In Dorchester last Wednesday another 400 signatures were obtained in a few hours at a stall manned by Public First supporters of different parties and none, all of whom be-

lieved Democracy was the most important aspect being fought for," he continued.

"In Dorchester, the council knocked out a huge town centre public car-park to build their own new council offices there.

"Dorchester was vociferously against. It was too much for people at the time, and still is.

"People don't want extraordinary decisions like that, under a narrow cabinet government system, ever again."

During the week stickers have appeared on litter bins in Dor-



**PUBLIC First campaigners in Dorchester at the weekend**

chester bearing the words 'Polling Station'.

Further information at [www.publicfirstgroup.co.uk](http://www.publicfirstgroup.co.uk).

## Taste wins new retail award

TASTE RESTAURANT in Trinity Street has won the county town's first Retail Awards.

Todd Moffat from Taste received the award from Lord and Lady Fellowes at the retail event at Kingston Maurward.

Figure 8 was named as runner up with Sproston and Bowden winning the award for best customer service, followed by Great Western Camping.

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IAN Collins began his passion for Dorset through artist John Craxton's love of the county. His friendship with Craxton has led to the opening, by David Attenborough no less, of the biggest exhibition of the late artist's works at the Dorset County Museum. For most, Craxton will not be a familiar name – but the great and good in the art world will know of him. His work features both Dorset and Crete where he spent some of his happiest years. He was dubbed a neo romantic, a label he hated and was a life-long friend of Lucian Freud, also meeting and being inspired by Picasso. Ian Collins, a former regional journalist, had known Craxton for a decade and is his art executor. He has completed one book on Craxton, with another likely to follow.

#### ● HOW did your love of Dorset start?

Through John who, by all accounts, was a tear-away in his school years, and continued in much the same vein when he was sent to Dorset to live. He's unusual in many ways but claims to have had only three official records of himself – a birth certificate, a passport and a death certificate. He lodged with an artist uncle and aunt in an ancient cottage in the Cranborne Chase, close to the Pitt Rivers collection which he was given free access to. I met him through Prunella Clough. He seemed to know everyone and was a great friend of Lucien Freud.

At our first meeting, in about 2000, at a wake, we got talking, went to the pub and had supper. I asked him that evening if I could write his biography but he said no, as he had done to other similar requests... but I started writing it, secretly.

#### ● WHAT was it he, and you liked about Dorset?

It seemed to appeal to his nomadic personality, but also a love of wild, unspoilt places. Dorset suited him because of its relative remoteness – much as Greece did later in life, but also because it was better for his health. As a young man he was said to have pleurisy but it was probably TB.

#### ● HOW long have you been interested in art?

Almost as long as I can remember; I studied economics at Manchester University but spent all of my time looking at paintings. When I finished I joined the Eastern Daily Press as a journalist but carried on spending too much time looking at art and studying artists. I did all the routine things -



court, councils, inquests and the rest of it and for quite a time worked in press gallery at the House of Commons. I stuck it out for 34 years but was also writing books on the side and arranging exhibitions.

#### ● HOW long has this Dorchester exhibition been in the making?

It's the biggest ever retrospective of his work and features around 120 pictures and objects. It's the biggest collection of his work to be seen in one place since an exhibition in London in 1967 when a critic in *The Times* described him as an artist who struggled against happiness. I came down to Dorset after he died in 2009 and,

in a way, I've been putting the exhibition together ever since. In a way he's taken over my life. There's something about crossing the border into Dorset. As soon as I get here I know I'm somewhere different and ancient, which is very much reflected in the work that John did here. His Dorset works are often dark but there's a great colour burst in the work from Greece.

#### ● ARE there other exhibitions planned?

I'm working on one in Cyprus which will then go on tour throughout Greece and there's a show in Athens planned next month. Much of this exhibition will go to Salisbury after the Dorchester event finishes in September.

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# Campaigning for everyone



■ ANN Purvis (left) with Diana Churchill, Ann Evans and Rita Oxbey

CAMPAIGNING for the General Election may be in full swing but for Ann Evans and her team from the local Citizens' Advice Bureau (CAB) it never stops.

Ann is the Dorchester, Sherborne and Districts CAB research and campaigns coordinator, leading a team that constantly presses for better policies that affect people's lives.

Their efforts have resulted in changes at local and national level to improve life for people in everything from housing, public transport, working conditions and better facilities for those with disabilities.

The CAB is perhaps best known for its other main role of providing free independent and impartial advice but the work undertaken by Ann's team behind the scenes is also vital.

She said: "The stories our clients tell us provide a unique insight into the problems faced by people in our area. We give our clients a voice by highlighting these problems.

"Our advisors are trained to recognise unfairness and injustice in individual situations that also apply to others in a similar position. This can be collected evidence as a base for campaigning."

The team – Ann works with Diana Churchill, Rita Oxbey and Ann Purvis – has recently

worked in conjunction with other bureaux in Dorset to produce reports exploring the situation with rented accommodation in the county and the difficulties faced by people with disabilities.

They have also carried out a survey to highlight the problems with public transport for people in work and seeking employment.

The reports go to councils and politicians and can make a real difference.

Ann said: "We are proud of what we achieve with our campaigns. Our past successes include taking part in campaigns that led to a government benefit department changing to a free phone number for claimants and agreeing to a council tax arrears protocol with the local authority so that everyone is clear on the process.

"There are always so many issues that affect people from all walks of life that need to be improved. We speak for people who can't make those changes themselves."

Daniel Cadisch, manager of the Dorchester, Sherborne and Districts' CAB, said: "The research and campaign side of our work is a vital element of what we do alongside the ever-growing service of providing free advice."

## Retail award winners

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nearby Alum and Sidaway runners up.

Melbury Gallery were winners of the best website and use of social media ahead of Goulds.

Best newcomer was I Buy and Sell, with Fantasy Flowers taking the runner up award. BuySpecs Direct staff member Sharon Ward won the award for best individual staff member.

The awards were created by the Dorchester BID (Business Improvement District) and the Dorchester Chamber of Commerce and managed by Spotcheckers Retail Division.

The awards were sponsored by David Upshall Insurance Services, Humphries Kirk and Kingston Maurward College.

## Bethany's a real St John lifesaver



■ St John Ambulance first aid trainers Grant Wilson and Debbie O'Boyle with Bethany Simpson who saved her stepfather's life

A DORCHESTER St John Ambulance first aid trainer has been reunited with a 10-year-old girl who used the skills he taught her to save her stepfather's life.

Grant Wilson, 48, travelled from Dorset to Cornwall to congratulate St Columb Major Academy pupil, Bethany Simpson, who bravely stepped in when Robert Hoskins (41) collapsed and stopped breathing.

Just three weeks after learning first aid, Bethany delivered cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) until an ambulance crew arrived.

"I'm delighted to have been given the opportunity to teach Bethany the skills that enabled her to be the difference between a life lost and a life saved," said Grant, who covers Dorset, Devon and Cornwall for the charity.

"It must have taken enormous confidence and courage to step in, but she is an incredibly brave and resourceful girl – a real credit to her family and her school."

Following the incident, Robert, with Bethany's mum, Jane Simpson (40), said the government should make teaching first aid compulsory in all schools and is backing St John Ambulance's

Big First Aid Lesson campaign.

The drama unfolded in the evening of Sunday, March 15th, while Jane and Robert were watching TV in bed.

Both of them had nodded off, but Jane woke up and noticed Robert's breathing had become shallow, erratic and laboured, like he was in pain.

Jane quickly realised he was unresponsive, called 999 and followed the operator's advice, including moving him onto his side to try and make him more comfortable.

But, when Robert stopped breathing completely and the operator told her to give CPR, Jane completely froze.

"Fortunately, Bethany heard me scream, came into the bedroom and said, 'It's OK, mum, I know what to do.' She was so confident and took charge."

Bethany gave the chest compressions that kept Robert alive.

"It felt like a lifetime until the paramedics arrived, but it must have only been a matter of minutes," Jane added.

"This just shows why it's important to teach everyone first aid – especially in schools."

"Every child should be taught how to save a life. Without my daughter and the training St John Ambulance gave her, Robert would be

dead and I would be heartbroken.

"I'm so proud of Bethany and so very grateful. We both are."

Bethany says she doesn't believe she is a hero: "I'm just glad my dad is still here," she said.

Robert, who is now recovering at home said: "I would just like

to sincerely thank St John Ambulance for teaching the children first aid. If it wasn't for them and Bethany, I wouldn't be here."

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## Guilty verdict for former council chief

THE former leader of Dorset County Council, Spencer Flower, has been found guilty of voting illegally on a planning issue, after he failed to declare a personal interest in the matter.

A district judge ruled that Mr Flower, 72, had broken sections of the Localism Act 2011, after he appeared at Bournemouth Magistrates' Court earlier this week.

The landmark ruling is thought to be the first time a councillor has been charged for an offence under the legislation.

The case centred on a council planning meeting held in February 2013, where Mr Flower failed to declare an interest in the Synergy Housing Association, of which he was a non-executive director.

The judge concluded that the former county council leader should not have participated in the meeting and sentenced him to a six-month conditional discharge and around £1,000 in costs.

Though he has since stood down as leader of Dorset County Council, the sentence does not affect Mr Flower's role as a member of both DCC and East Dorset District Council, and he is allowed to remain in post.

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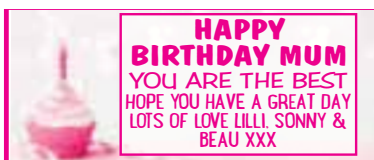
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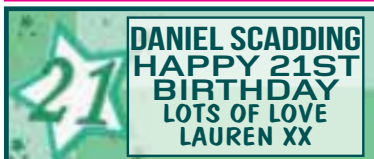
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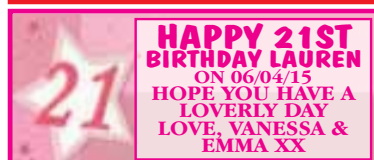
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## A354 crash witnesses sought

POLICE are appealing for witnesses to a collision on the A354 between Dorchester and Weymouth at around 8am on Thursday, March 26th.

It involved a red Honda Civic and a grey Seat Leon, both registered to men from the Weymouth area. The crash partially blocked the north-bound lane but the road re-

mained open while recovery took place. Two casualties were taken to hospital as a precaution.

Police Constable Sam Verity, of Weymouth police, said: "The incident happened at a busy time of day and I am appealing for anyone who may have witnessed the collision or the manner of driving of ei-

ther vehicle to contact police on 101."

Witnesses and anyone with information should call Dorset Police in confidence on 101. Alternatively, call the free and anonymous Crimestoppers line on 0800 555 111 where mobile phone tariffs may apply.

Incident number 26:54

## Historic churches get funds for vital repairs

Dorset Historic Churches Trust (DHCT) has awarded £36,000 of grants, with the hope that another £70,000 will be given in the coming months.

The money, for vital repairs, maintenance and restoration work has been allocated to parish churches at Charmouth, Compton Valence, Corfe Castle, Motcombe, Powerstock, Sturminster Newton, West Stafford, Winterbourne Whitechurch, Wootton Fitzpaine and St Peter and Paul's Church in Blandford.

Funds will go towards fixing roofs and gutters, repairing leaded windows and renewing electrical wiring and worn-out stonework. Funds have also been awarded for the installation of a servery to make one of the churches more widely usable.

Simon Pomeroy, Chairman of DHCT, said: "The Trust is looking forward to an exciting year ahead and we're thrilled to be able to help preserve beau-

tiful churches across Dorset. The repair works are often desperately needed and we rely on fundraising activity and donations by our many supporters and especially the Friends of the Dorset Historic Churches Trust to make our work possible.

"We would like to say thank you to everyone who took part in our Ride+Stride event in 2014 and hope that as many, if not more, people will join in the fun this year."

This year's annual Ride+Stride will take place on Saturday, September 12th this year and is DHCT's main source of fundraising. It involves around 200 parish and church communities across the county and last year raised a record £80,000 for the Trust; £8,000 more than in 2013.

Details of how to take part will be found in churches from July along with contact details for parish organisers.



■ ONE of last year's Ride+Stride teams who, together, raised a record £80,000 for the DHCT

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# Borough Gardens to get first grass-free lawn

DORCHESTER is about to create the UK's first community grass-free lawn.

Dozens of volunteers have been growing seed-trays full of flowers, herbs and other plants to replace the Borough Gardens grass lawn.

It will be laid by a team of volunteers on Monday, April 6th; replacing the bowling green which has been in the gardens for decades.

Environmentalists claim the new grass-

free lawn will be better for the area's wildlife, attracting insects, which in turn should increase the number of wild birds.

And, although the grass-free lawn won't look like a traditional lawn, there will be nothing to stop people sitting, playing and picnicking on it, once it has been established.

The project was suggested last year by Joy Wallis, a Dorchester resident, from Dorset Wildlife Trust (DWT) and readily

taken up as this year's town council project by Mayor Peter Mann.

Since September the trust has distributed 1,500 plant trays to 78 individuals and families, six schools, including Kingston Maurward College, and five community groups, including Weldmar, Cowden Care Farm and Whitfield Future Roots centre. The result will be a patchwork of flowering plants, rather than grass, which aims to create a haven for bees and butterflies to

benefit from.

DWT's Community Conservation Officer Joy Wallis said: "We are really grateful to the local community, who have really pulled together to help create the first grass free lawn in Dorchester, and the first community grass free lawn in the UK.

"Research suggests that this type of lawn is fantastic for pollinating insects and all sorts of other wildlife. It needs no chemical additives, produces many more flowers than a grass

lawn and there will be something in flower all year round. There's also a bonus for us as it's nicer to look at and requires far less maintenance than a traditional turf lawn.

"We hope that people

will visit the gardens and feel inspired to try it themselves at home!"

Mayor Peter Mann is also looking forward to the laying of the lawn; "This exciting and innovative project has involved a wide range of

community groups and individuals in planting up seed trays and now helping to plant the Grass Free Lawn. I very much look forward to seeing colourful flowers nearly all the year round and in-

creasing numbers of bees and butterflies and other pollinating insects."

The project has also been supported by The Heritage Lottery Fund and the Gardens Group.



■ GRASS free lawn

© Joy Wallis



■ TRAYS of plants at the bowling green

## Beware: telephone fraudsters are still operating in the area

FRAUDSTERS have again been targeting the Dorchester area.

Police are warning the public after a spate of telephone money scams targeting the Weymouth and Dorchester areas on Monday.

In one incident at around 10.30am a pensioner from Dorchester was targeted.

During the call the offender, calling himself Derek, claimed the woman's bank account had been compromised in some way. She was then encouraged to call the number on the back of her bank card and provide her bank details.

The offender, unbeknown to the victim, has remained on the line and pretended to be her bank.

Other offences that were reported to the police on Monday happened in the Weymouth area. The offenders were unsuccessful in these cases.

Inspector Pete Browning, of Dorchester police, said: "Of-

fenders are highly convincing and have conned many victims into handing over thousands of pounds in recent months.

"I ask people to remain vigilant and report any such incidents to the police."

Their advice includes not revealing your bank details including PIN to anyone – banks will already have these details and will never ask for your card back.

If you receive an unexpected call from someone claiming to be from your bank, do not give them any details, hang up and call your bank on their regular contact telephone number and the police – wait at least 2 minutes after hanging up to make the calls to ensure that the line is clear or use a different telephone.

Do not give your bank cards to strangers whatever reason they may give you to part with them.

Do not allow any unknown or unexpected

callers inside your home. If you are suspicious, call 999 immediately.

Do not hand over any cash to people unknown to you.

Anyone with information about such

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## Watch out for heath fires this Easter



■ **HEATH wardens warn walkers about the dangers of fire**

THE PUBLIC are being asked to be the 'eyes and ears' to help protect the county's heathland from arson attacks this year.

Figures for fires on Dorset's precious heathland always rise at the time of school holidays and Dorset Fire and Rescue service and the Urban Heath Partnership believe this Easter will be no different.

They are asking people to be alert and active in reporting any suspicious behaviour or fires on the county's heathland.

"A heathland fire can move at speeds faster than an Olympic sprinter, so we are asking people who are out enjoying the heaths to follow some simple steps,"

said a spokesman.

If you are on a heath when a fire occurs please leave quickly and call 999 with as much information as possible.

You can also help by reporting any antisocial behaviour on the heath to the Police on 101.

Please remember it is not safe to light barbecues or camp fires on any heathland site.

Gaynor Mant, Community Safety Education Officer at Dorset Fire and Rescue said: "Understandably more people want to get out and use Dorset's natural environments but we have seen an increase in the number of deliberately set fires on the heathland.

She added: "I cannot stress enough how important it is to take extra care when enjoying our heaths and open areas. If you are a smoker, extinguish cigarettes fully before disposing of them - never ever just throw them away lit; the result could be 50 or 100 firefighters tackling the subsequent blaze."

Heathland wardens at the scene of a fire will be wearing official orange tabards with the Heathland Warden written on them provided by Dorset Fire and Rescue Service.

Anyone caught starting a fire on a heath will be deliberate arson or neglect, for example an unauthorised camp fire that gets out of control.

## Register now for the Action Funding Fair

REGISTRATION for May's annual Dorset Community Action Funding Fair is now open.

The fair will take place between 10am and 4pm on Monday, May 18th, at The Dorford Centre, Dorchester. Stands cost £20 for community and voluntary groups or £30 for statutory organisations.

The Funding Fair is now in its fourth year and provides an opportunity for Dorset-based voluntary community groups, charities and social enterprises to meet face to face with funders and receive advice and guidance to help them make better, more competitive applications and develop more sustainable incomes.

Amongst the organisations represented on the day will be the Big Lottery Fund, Heritage Lottery Fund, Dorset Community Foundation, Dorset LEADER Programme, The Charity Bank, Viridor, Magna Housing's Community Investment Fund, Spectrum Housing's Community Grants Scheme, Skills & Learning's Project & Partnership Fund, the Bluebird Care Community Grant Scheme and The Safer Dorset Fund.

A cold buffet lunch will be provided and refreshments will be available throughout the day.

Delegates will be asked to choose six workshops at the time of booking, four of which will be assigned according to preferences and available spaces.

Topics include: What Makes Thriving Village Halls? Identifying Issues and Moving Forward; Outside the Box: Stretching Your Organisation's Resources Through Creative Thinking; Renewable Resources and Sustainability for Community Buildings.

Further information is available from Pauline Trimming on Dorchester (01305) 216403 or from the website: [www.dorsetcommunityaction.org.uk](http://www.dorsetcommunityaction.org.uk).

## Trainee blacksmiths receive award from ancient guild



■ **(L to R) Ned Bell, Ross Milum and Michael Robins at the college forge**

THREE Kingston Maurward College students will benefit from bursaries this year from The Worshipful Company of Blacksmiths. The awards have a combined value of over £2,000.

Students Ned Bell, Michael Robins and Ross Milum are currently study towards the Level 2 course and aim to continue on to the college's new Level 3 Blacksmithing and Metalwork qualification which starts this September.

The students plan to

use the bursaries for materials and equipment relevant to their course, which will be proposed for approval by The Worshipful Company of Blacksmiths.

Ned Bell said: "We're surprised and delighted to receive the bursaries - they'll be incredibly useful towards expenses. We would like to say thank you to the Worshipful Company of Blacksmiths."

Mr Michael Shepherd, Prime Warden of the Worshipful Company of Blacksmiths said: "The

provision of financial support to students of blacksmithing comprises almost 50% of the company's charitable activity. We are delighted that, once again, we have been able to assist up and coming exponents of our ancient craft who are studying at Kingston Maurward."

The Worshipful Company of Blacksmiths, established in 1299 and incorporated under charter by Queen Elizabeth 1st in April 1571, is an ancient craft guild based in the City of London.

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# Vintage emporium opens in West Bay

A LARGE scale project to create a unique shopping and eating experience has brought life back to a derelict warehouse and courtyard in the heart of West Bay and opens its doors for the first time this week.

Young local entrepreneurs Dean and Abby Souter, the couple behind Molly's Den Vintage Emporium in Shoe Lane, present their brand new venture, The Customs House, as a vibrant new family shopping and eating experience in the heart of West Bay.

Dean said: "The last six months have been hard work, but our aim is to create something special here in West Bay.

"With our investment here we have created jobs for local people that are not just seasonal and it is just the start with our long term aim to encourage

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other businesses back into West Bay and make it a thriving economy year round."

The Customs House, which has created more than 30 jobs including apprenticeships and helping people with learning difficulties get into work, will feature over 100 traders and local artists across three floors filled with art, vintage and retro collectables.

Outside in the courtyard there will be a range of food stands – including gourmet burgers and hot dogs, smoothies, ice cream, fruit & veg and baked goods – with a wine and cocktail bar, and tables and chairs for alfresco eating with a children's play area to keep the little ones amused.

Abby said: "We are trying to create somewhere where we would like to go, somewhere to take the kids, do some shopping, grab some food and even bring the dog with us.

"Bridport has a real artisan vibe and we wanted to reflect that in The Customs House."

The Customs House's grand opening will take place on Friday, April 3rd with a fun filled weekend of bands, fun for the kids, and a free Easter egg while stocks last.

It is located next to East Beach car park in West Bay with two entrances – one off the car park and one on the main road, just a stone's throw away from the beach and harbour.

The Customs House will be open seven days a week throughout the year.



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## Dorchester crime round-up...

### Bizarre masked drivers pointed 'gun' witness claims

Police are investigating a bizarre incident in the Dorchester involving two men in a car, wearing theatrical masks.

One witness believed that one of the men may have pointed what could have been a gun at them.

Police say the incident happened at around 10pm on Thursday, March 26th in the Ringstead Bay car park.

Two men, who were wearing white theatrical masks, were driving a silvery-blue or green Honda Civic. They pulled up next to another

car and pointed an object at its driver.

The two men then drove the vehicle from the car park through Poxell and toward the Warmwell Cross Roundabout.

Police Constable Kristy Heron, of Dorchester police, said: "I am appealing to anyone with information about this incident to come forward."

"I would also like to hear from anyone who saw the Honda being driven by the masked men to contact me as soon as possible."

*Incident number 26:457*

### Wheels stolen from Crossways 4x4

A CAR was left propped up on bricks at Crossways when thieves stole its wheels.

The 4x4 was attacked in the Mount Skippet Way on Friday night with all the wheels being removed, including the spare.

Said a police spokesperson: "Simple preven-

tative measures such as fitting locking wheel nuts will help to deter thieves.

"We would ask residents to be vigilant and to report any suspicious activity to contact Dorset Police on either of the phone numbers below."

### Commercial vehicle fuel thefts

FUEL THEFTS from commercial vehicles continue to trouble Dorchester's industrial estates and building sites.

The latest spate of thefts has seen diesel

taken from vehicles parked on the Poundbury West Industrial Estate on two consecutive nights between the 18th-19th March and the 19th-20th March.

Witnesses and anyone with information should call Dorset police in confidence on 101. Alternatively, call the free and anonymous Crimestoppers line on 0800 555 111 (mobile phone tariffs may apply).

## Gillett photo exhibition at library

AN EXHIBITION of photography by Dorchester man, Andrew Gillett, has opened at the library.

The exhibition, on the top floor, will be open until April 11th.

It features pictures which were mostly taken in Dorset, included a number of images from his project on Dorset sign posts.

The fascination of Dorset finger posts goes back to the 1960s with his father pointing out to him how unique they are, many with their grid references on top. During the 1980s many of these disappeared and were under threat, although in recent years work by groups such as Dorset AONB have helped to save these important landmarks.

The photographs are taken on traditional film and hand printed by the photographer. He has used cameras from the 1950s and '60s.

The exhibition also includes recent work based on the Dorset landscape in which he seeks to avoid some of the more well-known landmarks.

Andrew Gillett was born in Wiltshire and, from a very early age, had a strong interest in taking photographs. His family moved to Dorset when he was 11 and he has been photographing the area ever since.

After gaining a degree in visual arts from the University of Exeter, he worked in London for two years, before returning to Dorset where, for many years, he taught photography 'A' level. Andrew now works as a freelance photographer and pho-



■ ONE of Andrew Gillett's photographs from the exhibition

tography teacher.

Andrew said: "I am very much inspired by the landscape of Dorset, in particular

how the area is changing. The majority of the work shown is Dorset-based, with a few pictures showing other interests."

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# New steps now make it easier to visit landmark Durdle Door

VISITORS to the Jurassic Coast at Lulworth will once again be able to access Durdle Door with the re-opening of the steps leading to the iconic arch and its safe bathing beach.

Since the partial collapse of the steps during the summer of 2012, followed by complete collapse in early 2014, access to this famous landmark has been severely restricted, with only the most agile able to negotiate the slope leading to the beach.

Since the cliff falls of 2013-14, which also closed part of the South

West Coast path, the Lulworth Estate have been in talks with national and regional agencies responsible for coastal access in an attempt to rectify the situation at Durdle Door.

Following a meeting held in January between the Lulworth estate, Natural England, Dorset Countryside and the World Heritage team, the estate took the decision to reinstate access to the beach by funding and rebuilding the steps. The cost of the project has been met by revenue generated from the car parks at Durdle Door and Lulworth Cove.

"We have been acutely aware of the inconvenience and loss of a much loved rural beach to locals and holiday makers, especially those staying at nearby Durdle Door holiday park.

"In the end, regardless of who was officially responsible for the steps or the cost, we felt the situation could not continue and are delighted to have been able to put Durdle Door back on the map for walkers, holiday makers and anyone fascinated by this extraordinary feature," said James Weld of the Lulworth Castle estate.



■ DURDLE Door – the new steps are now open

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# Lyme Regis Brewery going from strength to strength

LYME Regis's smallest and newest bar, The Brewery Tap at The Town Mill, has been named one of the top five pubs in Lyme and East Devon area by Britain's best beer judges – even though many residents don't yet know that the pint-sized bar exists.

The Lyme Regis Brewery Tap has been voted one of the area's most-popular pubs, with locals and visitors flocking to the little local for a pint of the town's best.

CAMRA voted The Tap in the top five local pubs in its recent poll.

The cosy bar – maybe the smallest in the West Country – has won five-star status for the quality of its award-winning beer range, brewed on-site and served straight from the barrels.

"It's great news to be voted one of the best bars in the area," said Tap manager Pat Hicks.

"It's a tremendous accolade coming on top of all the beer awards we have won."

Mr Hicks said much of the success was due to visitors enjoying the novelty and the freshness of a tasty pint enjoyed in The Town Mill's ancient courtyard.

"You can't get a pint fresher than ours and many customers have never before had a pint tapped straight from the barrels of a brewery. Visitors love it," he said.

"People are coming to The Tap from all over the world. The Town Mill is an enchanting site and visitors like to sit out with a glass in the cobbled courtyard, enjoying the history and peacefulness of the mill – it's like a pint back in time."

"We're Lyme's newest bar and we're delighted to already be up there in the top five with some of our longest-established and best-loved pubs – especially as a lot of locals don't know that we're here and open every day," said brewery

director Julian Shaw.

"The Tap has become so popular with visitors that we're going to be opening in the evenings soon. Many customers haven't tasted ale brewed on the premises before and they love the freshness of it.

"But we don't just sell our beer as pints. We're also selling it in bottles, casks, beer-boxes, mini-kegs and by the jug. And by popular demand we're selling online too."

All of the beers will soon be available on the website – [www.lymeregisbrewery.com](http://www.lymeregisbrewery.com)

The news comes as a great fifth birthday present for Lyme Regis Brewery.

Started by a small group of local ale-lovers "over a few pints", it is now achieving local and national success.

Lyme beer is booming – last year the brewer sold nearly 120,000 pints and business shot up by nearly 50 per cent.

The brewery now sells its ale to hundreds of pubs, shops and restaurants across the UK.

"It's been our best year yet. We're thrilled by the popularity of our beers," said brewery boss Richard Surtees at a Town Mill party thrown last week to celebrate the brewery's success.

"As well as putting our Tap on the map, what's pleasing about the CAMRA poll is that most free houses that top the list are serving Lyme Regis Brewery Beers.

"The word is getting out there that Lyme Regis Brewery beers are fantastic. We've now got recognition for both our beers and for The Tap"

The party – which was entertained by Lyme's crack ukulele band The Lyme Luggers – launched Lyme Regis Brewery's latest beer, Dorset Pearl.

Already reckoned by experts to

be the town's best-ever pint, Dorset Pearl sold out in its first appearance at the Lyme Beer Festival over the weekend.

"Locals seem to love Dorset Pearl. We're delighted with the welcome it's received," said brewery director, Richard Doney.

"All the beers we brew are real ales, or craft beers as some call them.

"We use only natural, traditional ingredients, and they mature and develop their unique flavours in the cask.

"They are all handmade in small batches by our master brewer, using only the finest natural ingredients."

We have some exciting new developments coming in the next few months. We're brewing a craft lager that will be available for the summer – a first for us.

"And we're promoting brewing experience days where the public can come and brew their own beer with us.

"Right from the start we have had only one aim in mind; to brew beers that we love drinking ourselves.

"We're delighted that ale-lovers from all over the country love them too. The future for Lyme's beer has a great head on it."

## CAMRA'S top ten bars in the Lyme/East Devon area are:

1. The Rock Point, Lyme Regis
  2. The Volunteer, Lyme Regis
  3. The Royal Lion, Lyme Regis
  4. The Axminster Inn, Axminster
  5. The Brewery Tap at the Town Mill, Lyme Regis
  6. The Ship, Lyme Regis
  7. The Red Lion, Axminster
  8. The Pilot Boat, Lyme Regis
  9. The Old Inn, Kilmington
  10. The New Inn, Kilmington
- The full chart of all 39 pubs is at [www.whatpub.com](http://www.whatpub.com)



## Damers' pupils compete at pepper growing

PUPILS at Damers' First School in Dorchester have been invited by Poundbury Gardens to take part in The Gardens Group's new Young Grower of the Year competition.

Class Blue 4 has received pre-potted bell pepper plants to grow in their classroom, while pupils are also encouraged to collect their own free pepper growing kit from the garden centre on Peverell Avenue in Poundbury, to have a go at home.

The children will have until Tuesday, July 14th to grow their bell peppers, when a Poundbury Gardens expert will judge their entries. The pupil who manages to grow the healthiest plant with the largest and most vibrant coloured peppers will be awarded The Gardens Group's Young Grower of the Year trophy.

Lucy Simpson, manager at Poundbury Gardens, explains: "This is a great opportunity for children and their families to try their hand at growing home-grown vegetables.

"I wish the children the best of luck and hope they enjoy watching their plants grow."



■ CHILDREN from Damers First School holding their pre-potted bell pepper plants



We've really enjoyed our first 5 years of brewing in Lyme Regis. Thank you to the pubs, hotels, restaurants and shops who have supported us. And a big thanks to you, the beer-drinking public, for drinking so much of our ale. Let's raise a glass to the next five years...



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## News in brief...

■ STRATTON AND DISTRICT HOME AND GARDEN CLUB will hold a Mini Show this Thursday, April 2nd, in the village hall.

Starting at 7pm there will be a variety of classes for both adults and children. Exhibits are judged by an official judge from outside the club, and points awarded. The person who accumulates the most points will win the Fred Burgess Cup.

A short annual meeting will follow at 7.30pm. Tea and coffee will be served, and a raffle drawn.

■ AN EASTER EGG HUNT will be held in the grounds of Athelhampton house this Friday, April 3rd, with a large chocolate egg on offer for one lucky winner.

Those taking part are being invited to bring a picnic lunch with them.

■ BOROUGH GARDENS will be the scene of a free Easter egg hunt on Saturday morning, April 4th.

The event is being organised by the town's Family Church and starts from the bandstand at 11am.

■ DORCHESTER COMMUNITY ORCHARD is inviting volunteers to help at a workday between 11am and 3pm on Saturday, April 4th.

The Transition Town Dorchester event is open to all at the Railway Orchard which can be found close to the Culliford Road rail bridge.

Volunteers are asked to bring tools, suitable footwear and some lunch.

■ ST MARY'S CHURCH in Edward Road will hold a Festival Eucharist for Easter Day on Sunday 5th at 9.45am with an Easter egg hunt for youngsters.

## Official keys handover for Moreton's new village hall



■ THE KEYS to the new Moreton village hall were officially handed over this week. From left to right: Maeve Sexty, secretary of the village hall management committee; Andrew Etchingham managing director of Matrod Frampton which built the hall; Tom Roberts, architect and project manager and Catherine Chandler, chairman of the hall's management committee

## Deadline looms for Dorset's Best Village entries

The deadline for this year's Dorset Best Village Competition is fast approaching; entry forms have to be in by Monday, April 6th.

Now in its 29th year the annual event, run by Dorset Community Action, aims to encourage all that is positive about village life.

Winners last year included Martinstown, Lodders and Winterbourne Steepleton with Winfrith Newburgh taking the Dorset CPRE award for the

best shop.

Entries can be made through the parish council, village hall committee or other community group or direct to the Community Action office in Acland Road, Dorchester.

Last year more than 50 villages entered one or more categories.

Further information can be downloaded from [dorsetcommunityaction.org.uk](http://dorsetcommunityaction.org.uk) or by calling Dorchester (01305) 216407.

## Old Hardyens welcome their first woman speaker

THE FIRST female speaker in 110 years at an Old Hardyean's annual meeting has described Dorchester's former Green School as "a sort of civilised St Trinian's."

Vicar of St Peter's, the Rev Vicky Thurtell, spoke about her days at Dorchester Grammar School for Girls, widely known as the Green School from the colour of their uniforms, including their underclothing.

She was guest speaker at the 110th anniversary of the Old Hardyean's, one of her last engagements in the town before starting a new role in Exeter cathedral.

Rev Thurtell recalled that because Hardy's (boys') school was not far away, there was a concerted effort to keep the girls and boys apart.

"The boys travelled by train from Weymouth," she said, "but we Weymouth girls caught a special Bere Regis bus for the trip across the Ridgeway to Dorchester."

"Teachers repeatedly warned us about not catching the train, being

much concerned that the lights might go out in Bincombe tunnel!"

In his presidential address, Peter Foster drew an interesting timeline between the founding of the Old Grammarians in 1905 and the present day Hardyens Club.

Looking at the 1910 photograph, with Thomas Hardy and Sir Frederick Treves at the head of the table, the President recalled that all the early Old Grammarians' dinners had been in the Casterbridge Room at the King's Arms Hotel.

"Everybody is wearing white tie and tails, there would have been much thumping of the table and shouts of hear hear. Today we are back at the King's Arms, happily back to our roots."

The Annual Reunion Dinner was attended by 62 people, predominantly Old Hardyens, but including some from the Green School, the Dorchester Secondary Modern School and the modern Thomas Hardy School.



■ DR TIM Ennion (left) assistant headmaster at Thomas Hardy School, guest speaker Rev Vicky Thurtell and Old Hardyens President Peter Foster

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## News in brief...

■ THE NEXT UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE meeting will be held on Easter Monday, April 6th at 10am in the Parish Centre, Culliford Road.

John Wilkinson will give a talk about Life in the Parachute Squadron with accompanying memorabilia.

New members and visitors are welcome to attend.

For more information visit [www.dorchesteru3a.org.uk](http://www.dorchesteru3a.org.uk).

■ A SPRING FLOWER SHOW will be at St George's church hall on Monday, April 6th, between 2pm and 5pm. Information on how to enter can be obtained by calling Dorchester (01305) 264249.

■ THE DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP will meet next Thursday, April 9th, for a talk about the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance.

The meeting takes place at 7pm at the Dorford Centre, Bridport Road, Dorchester and is open to all.

■ BIPOLAR SUPPORT GROUP now meets in Dorchester on the second Tuesday of each month from 7pm until 9pm, the next meeting being on April 14th at The Gallery, Old Warehouse Yard, Durngate Street.

Family members, partners and carers are all welcome to attend the meetings, which offer support in a confidential environment.

For further information contact (0207) 931 6480 or email [groupdevelopment@bipolaruk.org.uk](mailto:groupdevelopment@bipolaruk.org.uk).

■ STRATTON PARISH COUNCIL has voted in favour of awarding the Parochial Church Council £500 towards repairs to St Mary's Church clock.

## Casterbridge Speakers win first and second again

THE Casterbridge Speakers Club has, once again, won first and second places in both the area International Speech Competition and Evaluation Competition.

They were competing against a very high standard from Fern-down, Hallmark and Chaseside Speakers' clubs.

David Smith, won the International Speech Competition and will now compete at the Divisional level at Swindon on April 19th. He has the opportunity to continue through to the Toastmasters International World Championships in Las Vegas in September. His presentation was on 'listening to your inner voice'.

Dave joined Casterbridge Speakers in 2009 having listened to his inner voice telling him he needed to prepare for his daughter's wedding speech. Continuing to listen to that voice saying he could do this, and with the support of other members, he has grown from a very nervous speaker into a winner.

Steve Graham from Puddletown won best evaluator and will also compete at Swindon. Steve Richards and Rachel Knowles took second places.

Casterbridge Speakers meet every first and third Wednesday of the month at the Wessex Royale Hotel at 7.15pm. Guests are welcome to come and hear what they do.



■ DAVID SMITH, winner of the Area 42 international speech competition

## Tolpuddle app gives guided stroll round village

AN AUDIO visual trail around Tolpuddle has been launched by the TUC, thanks to a £38,700 Heritage Lottery Fund grant.

As visitors stroll round the village they will be able to hear the story of the six Dorset farmworkers who were transported to Australia for forming a trade union.

Using an app for mobile phones or tablets, the trail stops at various points where scenes from the story are recreated by members of Equity's Dorset branch playing the Mar-

tyrs and their wives..

Said South West TUC regional secretary Nigel Costley: "We're very excited about bringing the Tolpuddle story to life.

"The Martyrs joined a union after consecutive pay cuts- a situation that will resonate with many people today.

"The Martyrs' tale is one of courage, resistance and, ultimately, success as they won their freedom after a nationwide campaign and thousands of people marching on London in protest.



■ DEPICTION of the fateful meeting

"Importantly, they also enshrined in law the right to join a trade union."

## News in brief...

■ FREE DRIVING LECTURES are being offered for drivers who want to improve their on-road skills.

The Dorset Group of Advanced Motorists is offering the talks on three consecutive Wednesdays, the 15th, 22nd and 29th April, in Committee Room 1, County Hall, Dorchester.

Each will start at 6.45pm and finish at 8.45pm and are provided by a former, police Class 1 Driving Instructor with many years of experience.

Further information can be obtained from Jane Percy either on (01305) 820963 or by email to [secretary@dorsetiam.org.uk](mailto:secretary@dorsetiam.org.uk).

■ HUSTINGS: All five parliamentary candidates will be answering questions at a hustings meeting at Thomas Hardy School on April 15th at 7.30pm.

Free tickets are available from the school reception from this week.

West Dorset residents can also submit questions in advance, by April 9th, by email to [DORSETBBW@GMAIL.COM](mailto:DORSETBBW@GMAIL.COM).

■ CAME DOWN GOLF CLUB will hold an open weekend on April 18th and 19th from 10am to 3pm.

The club, which boasts being the home of the Ryder Cup, is offering a taster coaching session and the opportunity to view the course. Special joining offers will also be available on both days.

■ POLICE HAVE INCREASED THEIR PATROLS in and around Puddletown Forest after reports of off-road motorcycles being ridden in the area. The woods have designated public footpaths and bridleways but police point out that their use is only for walkers, horse riders and cyclists.

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## Good relationships key to good health

RELATE Dorset and South Wilts is calling on local government to put relationships at the heart of the NHS so that more people living with long term health conditions can access relationship support.

This comes as a report released by Relate nationally finds that the link between relationships and health is too often ignored in the NHS, and new polling suggests that the effects of living with health conditions are putting pressure on people's relationships.

A YouGov poll found that about one in four people with a life-limiting health problem or who are disabled said their condition has harmed relationships they have or have had with partners (24%), friends (25%), family (23%) or colleagues (33%).

Relate Dorset and South Wilts sees this as a missed opportunity to improve lives and reduce pressure on the public purse, so is backing the launch of Relate's national campaign called 'The Best Medicine'. The campaign aims to show that good relationships are critical to our health and wellbeing and calls on local health policy makers.

Dorchester-based Sheila Maycock, centre manager at Relate Dorset and South Wilts, said: "It can be a long road when you're living with physical or mental health condition and couple, family and social relationships are a vital part of making the journey better. Yet when we need good relationships most, the effects of having a health condition can pile on the pressure.

"That's why Relate Dorset and South Wilts is calling on local health policy makers to put relationships at the heart of the NHS. We want excellent relationship support to be made more accessible at the point of diagnosis and beyond. There are 15 million people living with long term health conditions in the UK, so please sign our petition today to show your support."

The local charity wants health policy makers in the area to change lives, recommending that they make relationships a core part of their work.

To find out more about The Best Medicine campaign, visit [www.relate.org.uk/thebestmedicine](http://www.relate.org.uk/thebestmedicine).



■ **KATRINA Parry presents a cheque for £1,500 to Richard Ayres of Marie Curie cancer charity**

## Moose ladies support local Marie Curie group

Katrina Parry, the President of Dorchester Moose Ladies Circle has presented a cheque for £1,500 to Richard Ayres, an Ambassador for Marie Curie.

Richard was instrumental in February last year for Marie Curie being adopted by the Ladies Circle as their charity for the year when he came to talk to Dorchester Moose about the work of Marie Curie.

Since then the Ladies Circle has held many

fundraising events during the past year in order to achieve this total, including successful autumn and spring fairs.

Another result of Richard's talk was the establishment, at the end of last year, of the Dorchester and District fundraising group for Marie Curie.

The Marie Curie group in Dorchester has now raised over £5,000 this year, which will provide funding for 250 hours of nursing.

## Local Vocals sing for Marie Curie charity



■ **SINGING for the Great Daffodil Appeal**

SHOPPERS in Dorchester's South Street were entertained by one of the groups of 'Local Vocals' helping to raise money for Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal last month.

The group sang a wide range of songs, all accompanied, from sea shanties to vintage pop.

The result was a collection of £275 which was presented to the chairman of the Dorchester and District Fundraising Group for Marie Curie, Richard Crosby, who thanked them for their outstanding performances, and said he hoped that they will return for an 'encore' next year.

The money raised will be used for nursing in the Dorset and Somerset area.

## Rotary collects for Vanuatu disaster

Collections in Dorchester raised £2,600 for the cyclone-affected Pacific islands of Vanuatu.

Members from the town's three Rotary club collected in the town centre on two days with the money being used to buy emergency relief boxes containing essential items, Water Survival Boxes and Shelter Boxes which will be taken to the islands by one of the international aid agencies.

## News in brief...

■ **THE OSMINGTON WINEFEST** will be at the village hall on Saturday April 18th in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care.

Tickets, costing £12.50, are available from Joy's newsagents, Goadsby's on Overcombe Corner, and Clements Spar Shop at Preston. They are also available from Eileen Bramley in Osmington on 07816 832 554.

Food will be included in the price, with a vegetarian option, together with entertainment from Chris Groves and 'George from Martinstown'.

■ **DORCHESTER ART CLUB MEETINGS** will continue throughout the summer on the 1st, 3rd and 4th Thursday afternoons of May, June and July, from 2pm to 4pm at St George's Church Hall, Fordington High Street.

There are no special subjects for the summer with those attending invited to bring your painting and drawing equipment and work on your own projects. We charge £1 per meeting to include refreshments. Further details are available from Jenny on Dorchester (01305) 264568. New members always welcome.

From April 13th to July 27th the Art Club 'Art on Mondays' sessions will be from 7pm to 9pm at Fordington Hill House Meeting Room, Fordington High Street, Dorchester.

■ **CANDIDATES WHO WANT TO STAND** for a seat on West Dorset District Council need to get their nomination papers in to the Dorchester office by 4pm next Thursday, April 9th.

More information for prospective councillors is available at [www.dorsetforyou.com/become-a-councillor](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/become-a-councillor), by contacting the district council's Democratic Services Team on (01305) 252394 or by emailing [councillor.services@westdorset-weymouth.gov.uk](mailto:councillor.services@westdorset-weymouth.gov.uk).


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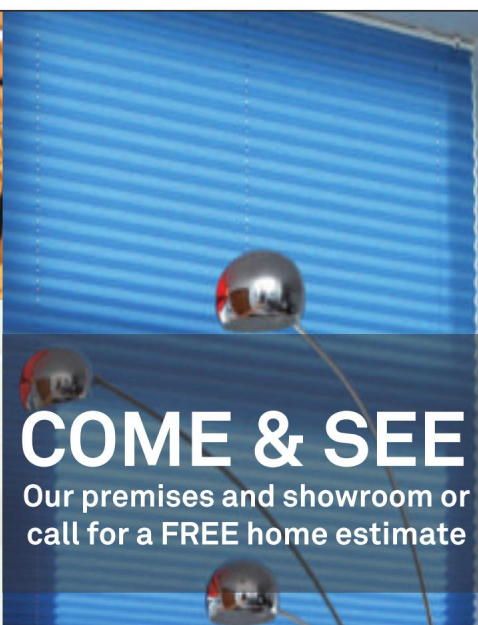
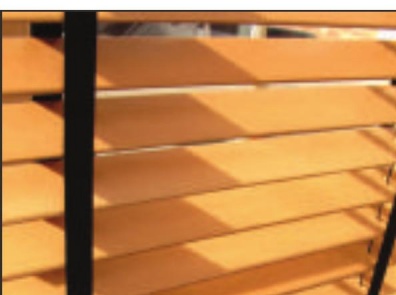
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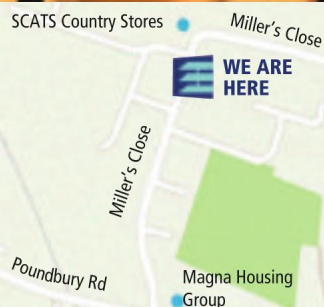
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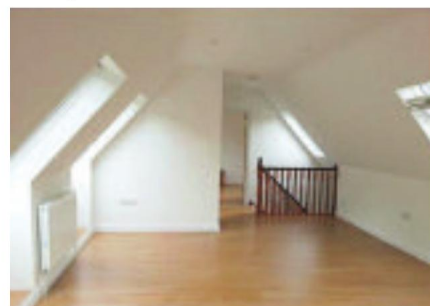
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There are also two new designs in white voile tie top curtains. these come in three sizes and have delicate white designs handprinted onto the voile.

Round baskets woven in Ghana are also in the shop now in many designs and colours, these are great for picnics, the beach and for shopping. There are Turkish towels too which are good for the beach in the warm weather which must arrive one of these days!

As ever there is a wide selection of blockprinted tablecloths, bedspreads and quilts and handwoven kilims and dhurries, kilim cushion covers and cotton blockprinted cushion covers.

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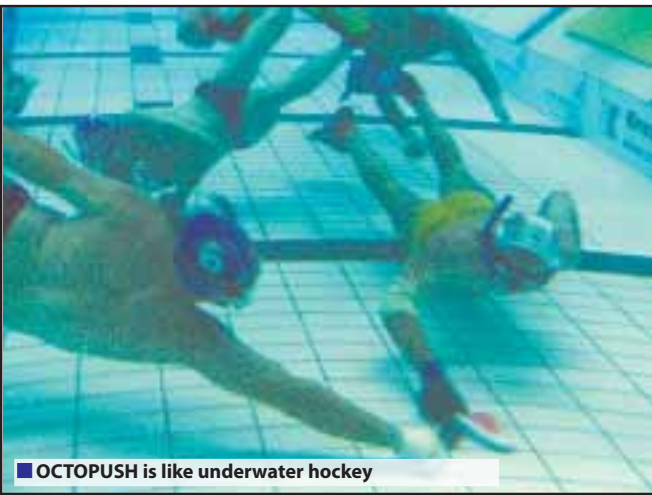
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The event will offer visitors a free chance to try a range of activities including squash, badminton, table tennis, short mat bowls and a bouncy castle and multi-sports for children.

Each visitor will be given a voucher pack which will include a free squash or badminton session, £2.50 off a family swim and £3 off their café bill when it totals more than £10.

Over the past few years the team at Osprey Leisure Centre has recognised that their members like to try new activities when looking for ways to keep fit, lose weight or simply enjoy being part of a group.

The team at the centre has been de-

veloping a programme of new activities for members to try and one of these is a new pool activity called Octopush which is like underwater hockey.

There is also walking football which will be introduced later in the year.

The indoor cricket academy is a firm winter favourite for all ages. Sessions also include expert coaching by a district coach.

Osprey general manager Nigel Williams said: "We have something for everyone but we are also looking for volunteers as we are run as a charity. This is by no means a new activity but it is a very valuable one."

If you would like to know more about Osprey Leisure Centre please call 01305 824378 or click on to the website at [www.ospreyleisure.co.uk](http://www.ospreyleisure.co.uk).

## New funding help for childcare users

FROM April 1st parents with children aged three or four who attend a nursery or childminder, could be eligible for new funding called Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP). This is worth up to £300 per child and is claimed by the childcare provider.

Nurseries and childminders will be able to claim this money for children who are eligible and it can be used to enhance that child's pre-school education. This can be in the form of specialist equipment, resources or experiences suited to that child's individual learning needs.

Childcare providers have to demonstrate to Ofsted how the money has been used to benefit your child, and if your child moves childcare providers, the funding

moves with them.

Anne Salter, head of strategy, partnerships and performance said: "This is a great source of extra funding which could really benefit individual children. It is definitely worth parents checking to see whether their child is eligible, and we are encouraging parents to tell their childcare provider if they think they might qualify, and they will apply for the funding for you."

Childcare providers can claim this money if parents are in receipt of particular benefits, or if the child has been looked after by the local authority at any time.

For more information visit [www.dorset-foryou.com/eypp](http://www.dorset-foryou.com/eypp) or call the Family Information Service on 01305 221066.

**If you have a news story** for Weymouth & Portland, email [hdswalton@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:hdswalton@yahoo.co.uk) for Dorchester, email [trevorbevins@gmail.com](mailto:trevorbevins@gmail.com)

# Easter school holiday events

## Brewery Square

**April 3rd to 6th**

An Easter Egg hunt will be taking place in Brewery Square from noon until 4pm each day with an entry form available from the concierge office, opposite the South Rail station.

Participants will have to follow the clues and then hand the completed form back in to claim their prize.

## National Trust

**April 3rd to 6th**

Four Dorset National Trust attractions are offering Easter egg trails to young visitors.

All egg explorers will receive a chocolatey treat at the end of each completed trail, and every single Easter egg trail undertaken will help support the special places looked after by the National Trust for future generations to explore.

The Easter egg trails are taking place at: Golden Cap on April 4th from 11am to 3pm from Stonebarrow Hill (£3) and at Studland Beach and Brownsea Island over the weekend.

## DCC's family information website

If you are looking for Easter activities to keep your children entertained during the school holidays, Dorset County Council's Family Information Service has an online directory with useful information.

The service supports parents and carers of children aged 0-19 through its online directory.

The website can be found at [www.dorset-foryou.com/aboutfis](http://www.dorset-foryou.com/aboutfis) or you can call Dorchester (01305) 221066 for more information.

## Dorset Wildlife Trust...

**...at Lorton Meadows**

**• April 1st**

'Caterpillar Kids - Tiny Tadpoles' from 10.30am-12.30pm, a family event which costs £2 per child.

**• April 2nd**

'Caterpillar Kids - Sticks' from 10.30am-12.30pm, a family event which costs £2 per child where imagination is used to transform sticks. Booking is essential for both Caterpillar Kids events. Please call the Community Conservation Officer on 01305 816546.

**• April 4th**

Spring Wildlife Wander from 2pm-4pm (£1 per person). Discover the spring sights and sounds of Lorton Meadows on a guided walk with the community conservation officer. Refreshments afterwards. No unaccompanied children. The Wildlife Centre will be open all day for visitors. Watch birds on the feeders on screen.

**...at Chesil Beach Centre**

**• April 3rd**

The Great Chesil Beach Eggcase Hunt from 1.30pm-3pm. Find out what a mermaid keeps in her purse, help search for shark and ray eggcases and maybe find some of the chocolate variety. £2 per child. More information on 01305 206191.

**• April 4th**

Seashore Detectives from 1pm-2.30pm. Explore the amazing underwater world of the Fleet lagoon exposed at low tide. Look out for anemones, sea squirts, crabs and much more. £2 per person.

**• April 6th**

Seaweed Safari from 2pm-3.30pm. Learn to identify seaweeds and have fun pressing them. The event costs £2 per child.

**• April 8th**

Seashore Detectives from 2.30pm-4pm, £2 per person.

**• April 9th**

Wildlife Trackers at 11am and 2pm will show how to track wild animals by looking at their footprints, poo and other signs. £2 per child.

**• April 10th**

A Guide to Everything Chesil, from 11am-12.30pm. This whistle-stop tour covers everything from the formation of the beach to its rich wildlife and military history. £3 for adults and £2 for children.



## New thriller is set in Caribbean



LOCAL author Mike Rothery has just published his second book, an adventure thriller set in the Caribbean.

The Waiting Pool (Weatherdeck Books £12.99), set in the 1980s, is a chilling expose of cocaine trafficking in an action-packed tale of murder and mayhem.

Rothery, 65, who spent 25 years in the Royal Navy, only

started writing two years ago.

He told The View: "I always thought I would write a book. I wrote short stories in the navy for a hobby, but I never tried to get published."

"Like many people I didn't think I was really good enough to write and I just potted around with ideas for a while."

"Then I just began to write things down and

it all came from that."

"I am self-published. The Waiting Pool is my second book and I have already started writing a third, Splitwindia, a fantasy novel, again about sailing and again set in the Caribbean."

"The Waiting Pool is out now and Splitwindia should be available for Christmas. My books are available on Amazon, Kobo, Nook Books and iBooks."

## Business is booming in west Dorset

ALMOST 800 BUSINESSES have been formed in west Dorset during the past year, according to the company, Inform Direct.

Across all Dorset a record 6,304 companies were formed, bringing the county total of businesses to 43,707. This is almost 6% more than a year before and 34% more than five years ago.

But many of the new businesses involve one or two people and come about as a result of people being made redundant or choosing to leave paid employment and venture out on their own.

Chief executive of Inform Direct, Henry Catchpole, said: "This is an area where fledgling firms are flourishing and where people are starting to make their dreams a re-



**DCCI's Ian Girling**

ality in the word of business.

Ian Girling, chief executive of Dorset Chamber of Commerce and Industry, said the figures reflected the entrepreneurial spirit of the county and he wished them a successful commercial future.

## New Ridgeway poetry and writing weekends

POETS and writers who have been inspired by the south Dorset Ridgeway are being invited to join a new creative project.

Artsreach is putting on four weekend workshops led by Greta Stoddart and supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund.

They will be taking place at various venues within the Ridge-

way, with participants exploring the landscape of the area.

The Saturday workshops are intended for those relatively new to writing poetry while those being held on Sundays are for the more experienced.

Spaces within the groups are limited so applicants are being asked to apply for a place by sending two

poems to Artsreach at The Little Keep, Barrack Road, Dorchester, DT1 1SQ, or by email to [info@artsreach.co.uk](mailto:info@artsreach.co.uk), by Monday, April 13th.

Artsreach is asking applicants to include a brief paragraph about their interest in the south Dorset Ridgeway.

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# Bluebird Care staff take wing Joined-up police services

INTREPID staff of Bluebird Care Dorset will take to and then fall from the skies in an effort to raise £1,500 for their Charity of the Year, the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance.

The jump, which is due to take place on Saturday 18th April from Salisbury airfield, will involve six staff members completing a tandem freefall skydive from over 10,000 feet.

Bluebird operations manager, Caroline Flay, said: "We wanted this to be a real team-building event as well as a fundraiser, so we have one

care worker from each of our four offices taking part along with two members of management staff.

"The activity itself was suggested by one of our Weymouth care workers and we felt it really reflected our chosen charity and may help our jumpers identify with the high-altitude work performed by the Air Ambulance crew!"

Fund-raising efforts are well underway and a bottle of bubbly will be provided by Bluebird Care for the team member that raises the most in sponsorship. Online

donation pages have been set up and other fund-raising activities such as a raffle and cake sale are also planned to help give a boost to the total.

For most staff, like Holli Bash from Weymouth, it will be their first time taking part in this type of activity.

Holli said: "I'm super-excited and am really looking forward to it. I'm working hard at the fund-raising and hope to get a good amount for a really worthwhile cause."

Bluebird director, Chris Scriven, who is

also set to make the jump, said: "At Bluebird Care Dorset we don't believe in asking our staff to do things that we wouldn't do ourselves so.....!"

Bluebird aims to hold several events throughout 2015 in order to raise further funds for the Air Ambulance and have set themselves an ambitious total of raising £5,000 for the charity over the course of the year.

Staff members can be sponsored through the team page at <http://www.justgiving.com/teams/BBC-parachuters>.

THE POLICE and Crime Commissioners and Chief Constables for Devon & Cornwall police and Dorset police have today reached a symbolic milestone on how they will deliver policing services across the three counties in the future.

An agreement has been reached for a large-scale alliance between the two forces which aims to maintain a high standard of policing services for the communities within both force areas, at a time when police budgets are reducing across the country.

Working together more closely and sharing many services is a significant move that will allow the forces to continue to provide efficient and effective policing, while meeting current and any future financial challenges.

This significant step was formalised when both PCCs and Chief Constables signed an agreement under Sections 22 and 23 of the Police Act (1996), the first time this has happened since the introduction of PCCs.



■ L to R: PCC Martyn Underhill (Dorset) and Chief Constable Debbie Simpson (Dorset) with Chief Constable Shaun Sawyer and PCC Tony Hogg from Devon & Cornwall

They will now work together as preferred partners to preserve, safeguard and, where possible, transform services to the public while retaining separate force identities and local accountability. It will increase resilience and significant cost savings have already been identified. Initial plans that have been developed have already highlighted savings of at least £12 million spread across both forces.

A strategic alliance is

not a merger of the two forces. Therefore, both will remain as separate organisations and two Police and Crime Commissioners and two Chief Constables will remain in post.

Over the next 12 months, the organisations will consider exactly which functions should be delivered jointly and will also look at best practice outside of policing.

Police and Crime Commissioner for Dorset Martyn Underhill

said: "We are facing unprecedented times in policing. We need to deliver more for less and this alliance will help us achieve that. In December 2013, we agreed to explore a strategic alliance with Devon & Cornwall Police. That journey has lasted well over a year.

"This alliance will achieve savings, improve efficiency, allow some re-investment and secure Dorset's reputation as one of the safest places in the country."

## New rental property advertising site

WDDC and Weymouth & Portland Borough Council are launching a free website, 'myhomeindorset.com', specifically advertising private rented homes in Dorset.

Landlords will be able to advertise properties of any shape or size free of charge. This will greatly increase landlords' chances of finding tenants for their homes quickly and easily.

Landlords will also be able to manage their property portfolio online as well as keep key docu-

ments such as gas and electrical safety certificates and energy performance certificates all in one safe place.

Prospective tenants will be able to search for their next Dorset home with features such as searching by rent level, map location and video walk-throughs of properties will be available.

The councils' Head of Housing, Clive Milone said: "Any opportunity for landlords to advertise their property for free is not to

be missed. This is an excellent new service for landlords who want to find a new tenant, and will greatly increase the exposure of their properties to a much wider audience at no cost to themselves.

"Prospective tenants looking to find a rented home in Dorset will benefit from using [www.myhomeindorset.com](http://www.myhomeindorset.com), which is specifically designed to bring together all rented properties locally in a single, easy-to-use website."

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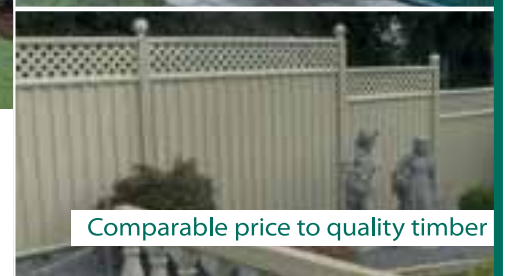
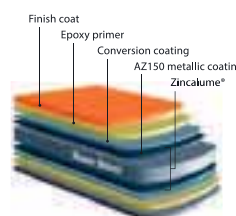
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A copy of this has been sent to Dorset County Council.  
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Dorchester Arts Centre

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Easter Family fun at the Marine Theatre *see page 23*



# TRANSMISSION

## Your guide to local live music

### upcoming gigs

**Saturday 4 April**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**BarraCoodas** 9pm  
Re-loved Vintage & Tea Rooms/Bistro, 2 Cornhill, DORCHESTER  
**Bernardo playing Vintage Guitar**  
7pm. Free entry, booking advised - 01305 257070.

**Sunday 5 April**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**Jamming at the Crown** 4-7pm  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**A Tribute To Elvis - Tim Bassett** 9.30pm

**Friday 10 April**  
Arts Centre, DORCHESTER  
**Gypsy Hill**  
Doors 7.30pm. £10/£8

**Saturday 11 April**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**Goliath** 9.30pm  
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**Sunday 12 April**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
**Amy Mayes** 4-6pm  
Arts Centre, DORCHESTER  
**Sarah McQuaid**  
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**Thursday 16 April**  
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**Sunday 19 April**  
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**Cadenza** 4-6pm

**Saturday 25 April**  
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT  
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### The beast from the east...

## GYPSY HILL

GYPSY Hill descend on Dorchester Arts Centre with their renowned intoxicating mix of Balkan brass, Mediterranean surf rock, ska & swing onto Dorchester Arts Centre. Featuring guitars, horns, tuba, a scratch DJ and a mix of live and electronic beats, they effortlessly mix the traditional with a uniquely modern sound.

Beginning as a producer duo - DJ Kobayashi and Herbert Newbert - Gypsy Hill grew into a live band that combines big beats with a ballsy brass ensemble. Taking their name from the South East London town, the Gypsy Hill extravaganza have taken audiences by storm at an array of UK and European festivals including Glastonbury, WOMAD, Fusion and Winterthur Musikfestwochen to name a few.

Their transition from studio to stage comes with high-energy live shows, often mixed with exhilarating big screen visuals and dancers. Back in the studio they have built up quite the catalogue with remixes for Balkan Beat Box and Al Jawala and a special feature on Ninja Tune's acclaimed 'Ninja Jamm' app alongside the likes of Coldcut, Mr Scruff and Bonobo.

Gypsy Hill's highly anticipated debut album was released in August 2014 and they have been touring since the autumn, with recent shows in Paris and London (including a free gig in Camden). Next stop Dorchester!

Catch Gypsy Hill on Friday, April 10th at Dorchester Arts Centre, 8pm (doors & bar: 7.30pm) - Tickets: £10/£8 members & concessions.

To book tickets, call Dorchester Arts box office on 01305 266926 or visit the website [www.dorchesterarts.org.uk](http://www.dorchesterarts.org.uk).



Gypsy Hill

### Songstress at the Arts Centre

## SARAH MCQUAID IN DORCHESTER

SARAH McQuaid seduces her audience with cheeky banter and stories from the road, as well as with stunning musicianship; in her hands, the guitar becomes much more than merely an accompanying instrument.

With her voice being compared to malt whiskey, melted chocolate and "honey poured into wine" (Minor 7th), the singer/song-writer/guitarist has been touring around the US and Europe delighting audiences with her sweet treat-like vocals. Next stop for Sarah is Dorchester Arts Centre on Sunday, April 12th.

Her eclectic music is somewhat of a reflection of her background; born in Madrid, raised in Chicago, then living in Ireland and most recently rural Cornwall, McQuaid refuses to be pigeonholed musically within genres.

Her new single was released in October 2014 and her fourth solo album hit the shelves back in February 2015, it's has been a busy time for Sarah McQuaid. Earlier last year, she travelled from her adopted home in Cornwall, to the small town of Cornwall, New York, USA, where

she spent three weeks recording the new album.

Sarah's third solo album *The Plum Tree and the Rose* was released in 2012 and has drawn critical acclaim on both sides of the Atlantic. It is not without comment on our socio-political climate, and Sarah does excellent justice to the global economic downturn on *The Sun Goes on Rising*.

A perfect Sunday session of exquisite music to soothe the soul.

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Sarah McQuaid

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CREATING their own take on traditional Celtic folk, Ferocious Dog takes the traditional instruments: fiddles, whistles, mandolins and mixes them up with a bit of raw, buzzsaw rock n' roll attitude. With their unique, aggressive yet feel-good music, they tear up venues across the country, often bringing their faithful Hell Hounds along for the ride.

For many years Ferocious Dog have appeared at small venues and pubs, until in 2009 when the band were given the opportunity to play at Bearded Theory Festival. They went down a storm, were asked to return the following years and ultimately played the main stage in 2012 where their popularity grew tenfold. After this opportunity, gig and festival offers from all over the county starting coming in thick and fast, and on the back of an



Ferocious Dog

eponymous album, Ferocious Dog are playing and headlining festivals across the country.

They made history this year by become the only unsigned act to ever sell out the Rescue Rooms in Nottingham, not only once but twice. With a successful 2014 autumn tour including sold-out shows, and with their new guitarist, 2015 is already looking bright, catch this band while you

can - you will not be disappointed.

Ferocious Dog play at Bridport's Electric Palace on Thursday, April 16th. Doors open 7pm for 8pm. Tickets are £10 (plus booking fee) in advance, or £12 on the door. Tickets through Electric Palace Box Office (open Tues-Sat, 10am-4pm) 01308 428354, Bridport TIC (open Mon-Sat 10am-3pm) on 01308 424901 or online at [www.seetickets.com](http://www.seetickets.com)

### the venues

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Saturday 4th April, 9pm  
**BARRACOODAS**

Sunday 29th March, 4-7pm  
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[www.lemonrock.com/crowninn](http://www.lemonrock.com/crowninn)

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### The Nag's Head

Silver St, Lyme Regis  
Tel 01297 442312

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 4th April  
**PERFECT STRANGERS**

Sunday 5th April  
**OPEN DARTS COMPETITION**

Saturday 11th April  
**GROUVECAT**

Saturday 18th April  
**A NIGHT WITH THE LIONS**

Sunday 19th April  
**DARTS ACROSS THE ATLANTIC**

Saturday 25th April  
**KATZ**

[www.nagsheadlymeregis.co.uk](http://www.nagsheadlymeregis.co.uk)



## This week's new cinema

### WHILE WE'RE YOUNG <sup>15</sup>

A MIDDLE-AGED couple's career and marriage are overturned when a disarming young couple enters their lives.

Stars Ben Stiller, Naomi Watts and Adam Driver.

### FAST & FURIOUS 7 <sup>12A</sup>

DECKARD Shaw seeks revenge against Dominic Toretto and his family for the death of his brother.

Stars Vin Diesel, Paul Walker and Dwayne Johnson.

### THE WATER DIVINER <sup>15</sup>

AN AUSTRALIAN man travels to Turkey after the Battle of Gallipoli to try and locate his three missing sons.

Stars Jai Courtney, Olga Kurylenko and Russell Crowe.

### THE DUFF <sup>12A</sup>

A HIGH school senior instigates a social pecking order revolution after finding out that she has been labeled the DUFF (Designated Ugly Fat Friend) to her prettier more popular friends.

Stars Mae Whitman, Bella Thorne and Robbie Amell.

### KIDNAPPING FREDDY HEINEKEN <sup>15</sup>

The inside story of the planning, execution, rousing aftermath and ultimate downfall of the kidnappers of beer tycoon Alfred "Freddy" Heineken, which resulted in the largest ransom ever paid for an individual.

Stars Yolande Cabau, Sam Worthington and Anthony Hopkins.

## Cinema Listings

Friday, Apr 3<sup>rd</sup> - Thurs, Apr 9<sup>th</sup>

ALL LISTINGS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

**LYME REGIS REGENT**  
Tel: 0871 230 3200  
www.scottcinemas.co.uk

Cinderella <sup>U</sup>

Daily: 14.00, 17.00

**The Divergent Series:**

Insurgent <sup>12A</sup>

Daily: 20.00

Chef <sup>15</sup>

Thu: 10.30am

**BRIDPORT ARTS CENTRE**  
Tel: 01308 424204  
www.bridport-arts.com

Men, Women and Children <sup>15</sup>  
Sun: 15.00

**DORCHESTER ODEON**  
Tel: 0871 22 44 007  
www.odeon.co.uk

**DORCHESTER PLAZA**  
Tel: 01305 262488  
www.plazadorchester.com  
Contact cinemas or visit the websites for up-to-date listings

**WEYMOUTH CINEWORLD**

Tel: 0871 200 2000 • www.cineworld.co.uk

Cinderella <sup>U</sup>

Daily: 12.15, 13.15, 15.00, 16.00, 17.35, 19.15  
plus Mon-Wed: 10.00am

Home <sup>U</sup>

Daily: 10.30, 11.30, 12.50, 13.50, 16.10  
plus Fri-Sun: 15.10

**The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge Out of Water <sup>U</sup>**

Daily: 10.45, 12.00, 14.20, 17.00

Get Hard <sup>15</sup>

Daily: 15.35, 18.25, 20.45

**Divergent Series: Insurgent <sup>12A</sup>**

Fri-Sun: 12.50, 18.00, 20.10

Mon, Wed: 12.50, 18.00, 20.40

Tue, Thu: 12.50, 18.00

**Seventh Son <sup>12A</sup>**

Fri-Sun: 20.40

**Fast & Furious 7 <sup>12A</sup>**

Daily: 11.30, 13.30, 14.30, 16.30, 17.30, 18.30, 19.30, 20.30

**Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb <sup>PG</sup>**

Fri, Sat, Mon-Thu: 11.00am

Sun: 10.00am

**Penguins of Madagascar <sup>U</sup>**

Daily: 10.10, 10.40am

**Paddington <sup>PG</sup>**

Daily: 10.30am

**The Second Best Exotic**

**Marigold Hotel <sup>PG</sup>**

Daily: 20.10

**The Gunman <sup>15</sup>**

Daily: 20.50

**The Duff <sup>12A</sup>**

Daily: 20.50

**The Duff <sup>12A</sup>**

Mon, Wed: 20.10: 15.05, 20.10

Tue, Thu: 15.05, 20.40

**The Water Diviner <sup>15</sup>**

Daily: 12.40, 15.15, 17.50, 20.20

**While We're Young <sup>15</sup>**

Fri-Sun: 17.25, 19.45

Mon-Thu: 17.45, 20.05

# WHODUNNIT?

## All aboard the Paddle Steamer Lotus for a Murder on the Nile

LYME Regis Dramatic Society invites you to join them on an exciting cruise on the River Nile.

"Murder on the Nile" by Agatha Christie is the latest production by the Society and promises to bring you all the drama and intrigue that you would expect from the pen of this prolific mystery story writer.

On this occasion we meet the passengers and crew as they board the Lotus with all the hustle and bustle to be expected at the start of their cruise. It quickly becomes apparent that few of the passengers are quite what they seem and as the cruise gets under way and the story unfolds, their true characters and motives quickly appear.

Most people will have seen the film of this story which includes the famous Hercule Poirot. Now when Agatha Christie actually wrote this story – one of her later ones – she had apparently tired of Poirot and there is another sleuth on board who get to grips with the unfolding drama that occurs.

All the usual LRDS suspects are in the cast plus two new faces who we are delighted to welcome to the Society and we are sure you will enjoy their performances. These are Margaret Morgan playing Kay Mostyn and Richard Mabb – Cannon Pennefather. Other members of cast are Dave Ballinger (Smith), Hazel Cawte (Jacqueline de Severac), Linda Crawford (Christina Grant), Fred Humphrey (Dr Bessner), Anne King (Miss Ffoliot-Ffoulkes), Steve Knight (Simon Mostyn), Pam Ladd (Louise), Jim Pettifer (Mr McNaught), and Richard Stirk (Steward). The play is Directed by Mike Whatmore assisted by Cherine Hill and we have our usual backstage help from Mike Cawte (SM), Hazel Cawte (Wardrobe) Tony Hill (Lighting & Effects) and Jean Cook (Props). Scenery and stage dressing are acquired and built by members of the Society.

The production opens at the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis, on Wednesday, April 15th and runs to Saturday 18th. Curtain up at 7.30pm. Tickets, at £10 for front five rows and £9 for the others, can be obtained from T.I.O., 01297 442138.



Jacqueline de Severac, Simon Mostyn, Kay Mostyn (Hazel Cawte, Steve Knight, Margaret Morgan)

LYME DRAMA Lyme Regis Dramatic Society  
present

**MURDER on the NILE**  
by Agatha Christie

at the

**MARINE THEATRE**

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30 p.m.

Tickets £9/10 from the T.I.C. 01297 442138

## Easter Family Fun at the Marine Theatre

THE Marine Theatre is in full Easter swing for the school holidays with charming shows for children ages 3+ and their families.

Following last Sunday's delightful performance from Filskit Theatre with The Feather Catcher, the Marine Theatre is welcoming acclaimed theatre companies such as Untied Artists and Birdsnest with their creative children's tales.

Up and coming Birdsnest Theatre Company are quickly being recognised for their excellent and imaginative theatre for young children, through the use of live music, storytelling and rich visual language. Join them on Thursday, April 2nd with My Friend Mole, a tale of a very special friendship and the imagination (also at Dorchester Arts).

On Wednesday, April 8th, Oxford Playhouse and Untied Artists present the world premiere production of brand new family show, The Boy Who Bit Picasso.

The Boy Who Bit Picasso is inspired by Antony Penrose's well-loved book. This engaging children's production follows a boy called Tony who becomes friends with Pablo Picasso, telling the true story of how Tony spent his childhood with one of the greatest artists who ever lived.

In this interactive new show, audiences are invited to take part in a variety of hands-on art and craft activities, aimed at children aged 4 to 8 and their families. There will also be storytelling and music composed by Untied Artists, as children are introduced to one of the 20th century's most influential artists (also at Bridport Arts Centre).

My Friend Mole: Thursday, April 2nd, 3pm at the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis. All tickets: £5. To book tickets, contact TIC on 01297 442138 or visit www.marinetheatre.com. Also on at Dorchester Arts: www.dorchesterarts.org.uk

The Boy Who Bit Picasso: Wednesday, April 8th, 11am at the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis. All tickets: £5. To book tickets, contact TIC on 01297 442138 or visit www.marinetheatre.com. Also on at Bridport Arts Centre: www.bridport-arts.com



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Wednesday 8th April

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11.00am / All tickets: £5.00 / Age suitability: 4-8



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# Viva Santana return! Family films for just £1 this Easter



RETURNING to the Marine, the phenomenal seven-piece Latin rock explosion Viva Santana continues to amaze fans wherever they present their celebration of the music of the legendary Carlos Santana. Over the past eleven years they have played to full houses as diverse as the prestigious London Guitar Show Wembley to theatres and rock festivals in the UK, Europe and even Cuba; soloist Marcos Rodriguez' perform-

ance was described as "a musical bridge between Cuba and Spain". After seeing Rodriguez, an astonished fan said "When they made Carlos Santana someone forgot to break the mould!"

It's all there, from the powerful four piece rhythm section (congas, timbales, drums and bass) giving the band it's heartbeat of traditional and modern Latin rhythms, to the infectious Cuban piano and haunting

Hammond organ wizardry of a truly gifted keyboard maestro.

Viva Santana perform at the Marine Theatre on Saturday, April 11th at 8pm (doors open 7.15pm).

Tickets are priced at £13.50 (full) and £11.50 (concessions) available from the website at [www.marinetheatre.com](http://www.marinetheatre.com) or by calling 01297 442138.

A TheatreFriends discount is available.

FAMILIES are quids in at Bridport Electric Palace this Easter.

The entertainment venue in South Street is screening a programme of classic family films, with tickets at just £1 to see each one. Drinks, popcorn and ice creams will also be £1.

The movies will be shown on the market days of Easter Saturday, April 4th, Wednesday, April 8th and Saturday, April 11th.

The films being shown on Easter Saturday are Winnie the Pooh at 10.30am, *Willie*

*Wonka and the Chocolate Factory* at 12.30pm, when there will be scrumptious treats available, and *Tales of Beatrix Potter* at 2.30pm, in which performers from The Royal Ballet take the parts of the characters from the classic books.

On the following Wednesday, April 8th there will be a selection of modern classics from the Disney Studio which include *The Lego Movie* at 10.30am, *Planes Fire and Rescue* at 12.30pm and *Toy Story* at 2.30pm.

On the last Saturday of the Easter holidays, April 11th, *Monsters Inc.* will kick off the day at 10.30am before the two family classics, *Aladdin* at 12.30pm and *Lady and the Tramp* at 2.30pm.

There's no need to book in advance. People just arrive 30 minutes before the start of each film to buy their tickets.

For the full programme visit the website at [www.electricpalace.org.uk](http://www.electricpalace.org.uk) or call the box office on 01308 428354.

## Bridport Vintage Market returns this Easter Sunday

FOLLOWING last years success, this Easter Sunday sees the return of the Bridport Vintage Market on the historic and atmospheric St. Michaels Trading Estate.

Already well established as a hub for antiques, furniture, vintage clothing and collectables, St. Michaels provides the perfect backdrop for the market whose extra stallholders each month will add to the mix with their own variety of vintage and antique wares.

Alongside this will be the addition of street musicians and food stalls with the famous

Red Brick Café open and serving their own range of tasty food and drinks. With St. Michaels Art Studios also being open the day promises to have plenty to see, do and buy!

The markets will run the season again from April to September on the last Sunday of the month from 10am to 4pm.

Bookings for stallholders or for any additional information about future markets can be made by emailing [vintagemarketbridport@gmail.com](mailto:vintagemarketbridport@gmail.com) or call Lorrie 07970 700983 or Kate 07896531106.



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 <p><b>Friday 3 April A NIGHT OF DIRTY DANCING</b> Doors open 6.30pm, start 7.30pm £20 + £1 bf/£22 on door See our website for special group discount: £10 a ticket for 4 or more</p>	 <p><b>Sat 4, Weds 8 &amp; Sat 11 April EASTER VALUE FILMS FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN</b> All tickets £1 on door 10.30am, 12.30pm, 2.30pm Please see website for full list of films.</p>	<p><b>FROM PAGE TO SCREEN</b></p> <p><b>Weds 8 to Sunday 12 April FROM PAGE TO SCREEN, BRIDPORT'S FILM FESTIVAL</b> Tickets from Bridport Arts Centre box office 01308 424204 Open 10am to 3pm from Tues to Fri and 10am to 4pm on Sat. Please see website for full list of films.</p>
 <p><b>Thursday 16 April FEROCIOUS DOG</b> Doors 7pm / start 8pm Tickets £10 + 50p bf / £12 on door</p>	 <p><b>Friday 24 April COMEDY NETWORK: Naz Osmanoglu, Mark Smith and Steve Bugeja</b> Doors open 7.15pm / start 7.30pm £10 + 50p bf/£12 on door</p>	 <p><b>Monday 27 April STEWART LEE</b> Doors open 7pm / start 8pm ** SOLD OUT **</p>

Coming soon: Swing Unlimited All Stars Big Band, The Proclaimers, Kara Grainger, Blade Runner, Stompin' Dave and his Bluegrass Band

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# What's on in April at Bridport Arts Centre

**BRIDPORT Arts Centre is challenging you to try something different this April. With a wide range of events from musical comedy to dance the programme presents true variety.**

To kickstart the month the Arts Centre will present dynamic duo Nick Wyke & Becki Driscoll who create bold and unusual arrangements of folk songs with the fiddle at the heart of their music. (Saturday, April 4th, 8pm)

During the Easter holidays the Arts Centre presents *The Boy who bit Picasso* (Tuesday, April 7th, 11am and 2pm), a fun and interactive show for children aged 4 to 8 and of course their families. There'll be storytelling, music and lots of chances to make your own art.

Taking on the big issues ahead of the May 2015 general election, award-winning musical comedians Jonny and the Baptists bring their blend of songs, satire and silliness to the Bridport Arts Centre stage (Tuesday, April 7th, 8pm).

On Friday 10 April, 8pm the popular Comedy Café returns with the

opportunity to discover some of the most promising comedians on the comedy circuit before they hit the big time.

The first installment of Exhibition on Screen will be Vincent Van Gogh's 'A New Way of Seeing', April 14th at 7.30pm. With exclusive access to the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam it explores the dramatic story and iconic work of the world's most beloved artist.

On Thursday, April 16th, 7.30pm Theatre lovers can enjoy outrageously versatile performer David Mynne's one-man performance of Bram Stoker's classic gothic novel *Dracula*.

Star of BBC1's 'Live at the Apollo', a regular on Channel 4's Stand-Up For The Week with three series of his own acclaimed show on BBC Radio 4, comedian Andrew Laurence brings his tour to the Arts Centre stage. (Friday, April 17th, 8pm renowned)

On April 23rd, 7.30 there will be a Flash Fiction Story Slam

celebrating the art of writing very short stories.

Philip Clouts Jazz Café returns on Friday, April 24th at 8pm features Flekd, a lively five-piece band whose music delves into lively traditional Celtic folk melodies visiting rhythms from Indian and African traditions along the way.

Ballet Central return with a fantastic evening of ballet, neoclassical, contemporary and narrative dance on Friday, April 24th, 7.30pm. This family-friendly show is ideal for dance enthusiasts as well as those new to ballet.

So why not try something new this April. Call the box office on 01308 424204 or visit [www.bridport-arts.com](http://www.bridport-arts.com).



Jonny and the Baptists



Nick Wyke and Becki Driscoll



Ballet Central

## APRIL at Bridport Arts Centre

### FLASH FICTION STORY SLAM

Thu 23 Apr, 7.30pm

### ANDREW LAWRENCE

Fri 17 Apr, 8pm

### JOHN HUBBARD LOOKING TWICE AT MY WORK

Tue 21 Apr 6.30pm

### THE BOY WHO BIT PICASSO

Tue 7 Apr, 11am & 2pm

### BALLET CENTRAL

Fri 24 Apr,  
7.30pm

### JAZZ CAFÉ FLEKD

Fri 24 Apr, 8pm

### DRACULA

Thu 16 Apr, 7.30pm

### NICK WYKE & BECKI DRISCOLL

Sat 4 Apr, 8pm

### JONNY AND THE BAPTISTS

Tue 7 Apr, 8pm

NEW EXHIBITION  
ON SCREEN:  
**VINCENT  
VAN GOGH –  
A NEW WAY  
OF SEEING**

Tue 14 Apr, 7.30pm

BRIDPORT  
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For full listings pick up your Programme at Bridport Arts Centre, South Street, Bridport  
Booking is easy at [www.bridport-arts.com](http://www.bridport-arts.com) Box office 01308 424204



## View 2 Diary Dates

### WEDNESDAY APRIL 1ST

**DORCHESTER:** Lunches, every Wednesday until Easter, 12-1.30pm at United Church, South Street. Ploughmans, choice of sweet, tea or coffee. £5, all for Christian Aid.

### THURSDAY APRIL 2ND

**DORCHESTER:** The West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship will meet in the Boys Brigade Hall, Sawmills Lane, Dorchester DT1 2RZ starting at 2.15 pm. Bob Ayres will give a talk on Hidden Gardens of London. This is the first meeting at our new venue and we would be very pleased to welcome new members. We will be booking for our first outing of the season on the Dart Steam Railway. Contact 01305 261676 or 785546 for more info

### SATURDAY APRIL 4TH

**BRIDPORT:** Easter Coffee Morning at Bridport Bowls Club, Priory Lane, 10am-12noon. Various stalls including plants, bric-a-brac, books etc.

### SUNDAY APRIL 5TH

**BRIDPORT:** Sarah Horton from Boots in Bridport is taking part in the London Marathon to raise money for the Joseph Weld Hospice. Sarah, being a Brownie Guider is being supported by the local Trefoil Guild (Guiding for Adults) who will be holding a Cream Tea with various stalls at St. John's Church, West Bay on at 2.30pm. For more details call 01308 420699.

**BRIDPORT:** Friends of Bridport Millennium Green Annual Easter Egg Hunt at 3pm. Hunt around the gardens at Mountfield, at the top of Rax Lane and Downes Street. Free for all children, everyone will receive at least one egg. The green, with gardens and a hilltop walk which can also be accessed from Coneygar Lane, are held in Trust for the people of Bridport, and can be used by the public at any time.

### MONDAY APRIL 6TH

**SOUTH PERROTT:** Art Class at South Perrott Village Hall, every Monday, 1.15-3.15pm. £10 each. For more details call 01935 891808.

### WEDNESDAY APRIL 8TH

**DORCHESTER:** Evergreens Cinema showing 'The African Queen' (starring Humphrey Bogart and Katharine Hepburn). Lights dim at 1.45pm, tea and biscuits served during the showing, just £1.50. Everyone welcome, at Age UK Dorchester, Prince of Wales Road. For more details call 01305 269444.

### THURSDAY APRIL 9TH

**BRIDPORT:** Electronic Organ Concert by Ryan Edwards at the United Church Hall, East Street. Admission £8, members £7, visitors welcome. Concert starts at 7.30pm. For more details call 01460 73500.

**CHARMOUTH:** You are invited to a three week course for those interested in finding out about 'Inner Peace'. Showing short DVDs of Prem Rawat talking and we will be open to discussions afterwards. The meetings will start at 11am and will last about an hour. The dates are April 9th, 16th and 23rd all on Thursday mornings, held in Charmouth Library Cafe, Free entry, all welcome.

**DORCHESTER:** The Thursday Group will meet to hear a Dorset C C Ranger talk on "Thorncombe Wood". Come and hear about what can be seen in "the woods" as well as details of the newly opened Visitor Centre at Higher Bockhampton, near Hardy's Cottage. We start at 2.15pm in St. George's Church Hall, Fordington and the charge of £1 covers a cup of tea/coffee, all welcome.

**DORCHESTER:** Plant Heritage Dorset Group. 'Dahlias'. An illustrated talk by lecturer, photographer, award winning author and journalist Val Bourne, who serves on the RHS floral and Dahlia panels. 7.30 pm in the Conference Room, Kingston Maurward College DT2 8PY. Visitors welcome (£2.50; students £1.00 at door). Details call 01929 481535 and the NCCPG website.

### FRIDAY APRIL 10TH

**LYME REGIS:** U3A meeting. 10am coffee, 11am talk by Jane Brewer BEM. Titled 'death Ancient Egyptian Style' An overview of the health and nutrition of the people and rituals associated with mummification. Looking at what the elite took to their graves referencing Tutankhamun. At Woodmead Halls.

### SATURDAY APRIL 11TH

**CHIDEOCK:** 'Tea at the Chideock Ritz'. Afternoon tea with style at the Chideock Village Hall in aid of Weldmar Hospicecare Trust. 3 - 5pm. Tickets £7 available from Guy Mills 01308 489231

**UPLYME:** Ballroom, Latin and some Sequence dancing at Uplyme Village Hall. Entry £4.50 per person in aid of hall funds. 8-10.30pm. For more details call 01297 442439

### SUNDAY APRIL 12TH

**NORTH CHIDEOCK:** Marshwood Vale Young Farmers Club Annual Ploughing Match from 9.30am-2pm, at Silver Bridge Farm (DT6 6LF). For more details call 07780 951501 or 01308 868015.

**TOLLER PORCUM:** Join Hedgerow Harvest for a day of seasonal wild food foraging gathering the ingredients for a three course lunch. See www.hedgerow-harvest.com for more details

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### MONDAY

3.45-4.30pm **11-16YR OLDS TRAMPOLINING COURSE**

4.30-5.15pm **4-11YR OLDS TRAMPOLINING COURSE**

4.45-6.00pm **SILKS AERIAL COURSE 11-16YR OLDS**

6.00-7.00pm **PILATES**

6.00-7.00pm **WALKING FOOTBALL (ON 3G PITCH)**

6.00-7.15pm **SILKS AERIAL COURSE ADULTS (16+)**

7.00-7.45pm **INDOOR CYCLING**

8.00-9.00pm **CIRCUITS**

### WEDNESDAY

4.00-6.00pm **GYMNASTICS**

5.45-7.00pm **IYENGAR YOGA**

6.00-6.45pm **INDOOR CYCLING**

7.00-8.00pm **BACK 2 NETBALL CLUB**

8.00-9.30pm **VOLLEYBALL**

### THURSDAY

12.30-1.30pm **50+ KEEP FIT**

6.30-7.30pm **KETTLCIRISE**

### FRIDAY

6.00-7.00pm **SILKS MIXED CLASS**

For further information on classes and courses please  
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Thursday 2nd April

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## CLAIRVOYANCE AT THE CHAPEL

Chapel in the Garden, East Street, Bridport

Friday 10th April

Nicky Gard

7.30 pm (doors open 7 pm)

Admission £5 (under 16's free)

## View 2 Diary Dates

and to book places.

### MONDAY APRIL 13TH

**BEAMINSTER:** Dorset Moviola proudly presents 'My Old Lady' (cert 12a) at the Beaminster Public Hall. Doors 7pm, film 7.30pm. Tickets £5 (advance) or £5.50 on the door. Available from Yarn Barton on 01308 862715, Weekdays 9.30-12.30 & Saturdays 9-1pm or ring Carol Dixon on 01308 861378

**EYPE, NEAR BRIDPORT:** Parent + baby/toddler swimming course, 11.30am - 12 noon, at Highland's End Leisure Club, Eype. Have good fun while exercising and bonding in the water, help develop muscles and gain confidence. Details from Penny Yarnold on 07970 879047.

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**WEYMOUTH:** Radipole & Southill Horticultural Society invite you to an illustrated talk entitled 'The Japanese Garden at Kingston Lacy - 10 Years On' by the Deputy Head Gardener for the National Trust - Stephen Candy. The meeting will be held at Southill Community Centre, Radipole Lane, Weymouth, doors open at 7.00 for a 7.30 pm start. Members and visitors welcome and further details available from Julie or Peter on 01305 772533.

### TUESDAY APRIL 14TH

**UPLYME:** Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Society coach trip to National Trust estate of Stourhead, leaving 9.30am. There are still places available, at a cost to National Trust Members of £11, non-members £20. The gardens should be in full Spring flower by then, to make a memorable day out. Book with Rob Harvey on 01297 631664, by April 7th please.

### WEDNESDAY APRIL 15TH

**EYPE:** West Dorset Decorative and Fine Arts Society meeting. 'The Punch & Judy Show: A subversive symbol from Commedia Dell'Arte to the present day' by Mr Bertie Pearce. At Highlands End Leisure Centre, 2.30pm. For more details call 01297 443615.

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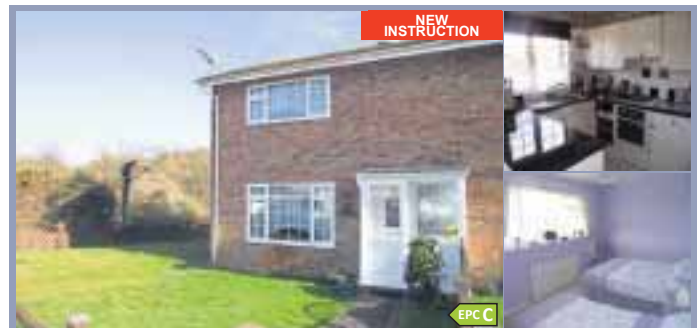
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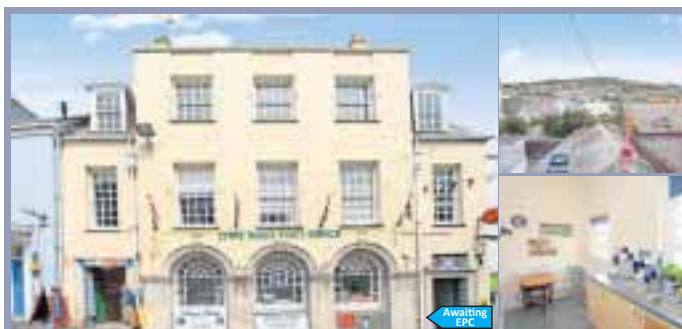
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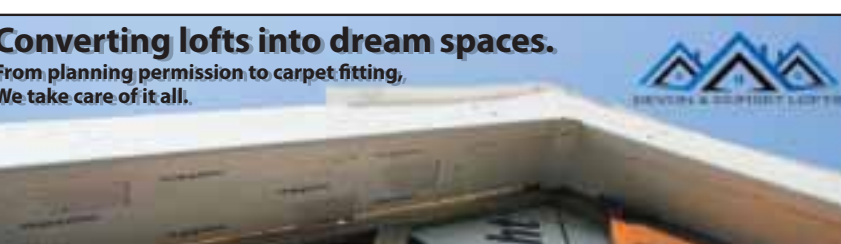
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# A Splash Of Style With Innovative World-First Textured Paint

PEUGEOT's reputation for striking exterior design is second to none. With the eagerly anticipated arrival of the new PEUGEOT 208, on sale from June, the brand is launching a world-first technology for a production vehicle – a unique 'textured paint' finish.

Exclusive to the popular supermini and further evidence of the sophisticated style now running through its entire PEUGEOT model range, distinctive textured paint adds a contemporary twist to the idea of customer choice and individual personalisation.

The textured paint is currently available in two colours, Ice Grey and Ice Silver. For even greater individuality, cars can be specified with an optional Lime Yellow or Menthol White personalisation pack. These are available for the exterior, interior or both.

On offer from launch in June, textured paint offers several benefits. First and foremost, it emphasises the striking, modern lines of the PEUGEOT 208, reinforcing its dynamism and elegant design.

Secondly, the texture – which is subtly granular to the touch – is more hard-wearing and easier to care for than conventional matt paint. It offers exceptional resistance to micro-scratching and doesn't suffer through frequent car washing.

Thirdly, because it is applied by production robots at the advanced Poissy manufacturing plant in France, outstanding quality is guaranteed for the lifetime of the car.

PEUGEOT textured paint is a world-first on a volume production car and is backed by an international patent which is the result of almost four years of technical development. While the initial coats of anti-corrosion, primer and colour base remain the same as for conventional metallic paint, the innovation is in the composition

and application of the lacquer. It features fine particles of silica and micro-balloons of polyamide; the former give the paint its matt appearance, toughness and granular properties, the latter creates its special texture.

Throughout the history of motoring, unique exterior finishes such as these have only been available on limited edition models, or as a very expensive premium hand-applied option. For the new PEUGEOT 208, it will cost exactly the same as pearlescent paint – at just £645.



▲ New PEUGEOT 208 - Ice Grey

# Spare Time To Check All Your Tyres This Easter, Advises Tyresafe

MOTORISTS are reducing their chances of arriving safely and on time this Easter if they don't check all their vehicle's tyres before heading out on to the UK's roads at one of the busiest times of year, warns TyreSafe.

The not-for-profit organisation, dedicated to raising awareness about the importance of correct tyre maintenance and the dangers of defective and worn tyres, is also reminding vehicle owners that those checks should include their spare wheel. That essential inspection should ensure all tyres are at the recommended pressure for the load the vehicle will carry – and that will typically be different for a car when carrying a full load than it would when carrying just two occupants. Looking for bulges or damage and making sure the tread depth is at least above the legal limit of 1.6mm are also crucial.

When it comes to the spare wheel specifically – first of all check to see if your car has one. A recent survey of new cars by Honest John\* revealed only 8% of new cars are sold with a full-size spare wheel, with 'space-savers', repair kits and run-flat tyres being the most common alternatives. However, many owners are unaware their car is equipped with one of these options, and will be unsure of what to do should they suffer a puncture or blowout.

The absence of a spare wheel has led to a dramatic rise in callouts to the breakdown recovery services, who are likely to be extremely busy over the Easter holiday. The RAC has reported the number of callouts annually to assist drivers with a puncture but no spare wheel rose from 29,000 in 2010 to 118,000 in 2014 and that number is forecast to rise again this year to 144,000. Meanwhile, tyre-related incidents over the Easter holiday period last year resulted in 7,500 callouts for the AA (17 to 22 April), and were the second most common reason Green Flag provided roadside assistance (almost a shocking five times more than the next most common fault, clutch problems).

With numbers of tyre-related callouts on the increase, in addition to the usual demands on breakdown recovery services, drivers who fail to check their tyres before setting off for the Easter holiday risk finding themselves stranded by the roadside or involved in easily preventable tyre-related incidents.

"As families across the country hit the roads over the Easter

period, it's perhaps no surprise that the number of breakdowns soar," comments Stuart Jackson, chairman of TyreSafe. "However, many of these incidents are avoidable if people take the time to check their tyres and ensure everything is in working order. These checks are quick and simple to conduct, but essential as they could be the difference between a pleasurable Easter break and one spent by the roadside or worse."

## Spare wheel

Do you have a spare wheel? If not, do you know how you will deal with a puncture or

blowout? Unless you plan on using the breakdown services, take the time to read your manual to learn how to properly use tyre sealants, compressor/inflation kits, or run flat tyres. If in any doubt, contact a reputable tyre retailer for clarification.

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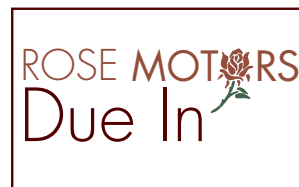
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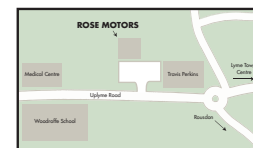
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## Point-to-Point

### Heavy Horse and Cobs raise £4k charity

DRIVING rain and 20mph gusting winds failed to deter the 20 entrants in the Cotley Heavy Horse and Cob flat races who galloped "hell for leather" on Sunday in aid of charity at the annual Cotley Point-to-Point, near Chard in Somerset.

The flat races, which took place in the morning, in advance of the six main point-to-point races, raised well over £4,000 in aid of Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance and Hospiscare.

Rain falling just before and during the event, made the going stickier than usual, but the heavy horse races made light work of their two furlong as did the Cobs over their four furlong race.

Spectators were impressed by the turn of speed shown by the heavy horses and cobs, ranging from a 19.1hh Irish Draught to two little 14hh cobs, who were raring to go.

Riders ranging from 16 to 60 years had taken the task of preparing for the races extremely seriously and their efforts were clearly visible in horses and ponies that looked fit and well, and who were keen to race.

Tom Eames, Chairman of the Cotley Point to Point, said: "We would like to thank all the people who entered our new heavy horse and cob races, together with our exceedingly generous sponsors, who together raised over £4,000.

The response we have had has been tremendous; we had entrants from across the South West, from the tip of Cornwall to North Yorkshire."

Will Biddick was once again the start of the main afternoon's racing with four more winners.

#### Results:

##### Heavy Horses & Heavy Horse cross breeds

1st: Wheelboys PJ, owned by the Edbrooke Family and ridden by Mrs Janvrin Edbrooke

2nd: Tom, owned by Mr Nick Hillier and ridden by Lily Van Puyenbroek

##### Heavy Horse cross breeds

1st: Reggie Del Boy, owned and ridden by Beci Brown

2nd: Goliath, owned and ridden by Jaed Collins

3rd: Rathmore Night, owned and ridden by Sam Perrin.

##### Open Cobs

1st: Athlone Dinkey, owned and ridden by Mrs Rebecca Brown

2nd: Kings Dawn, owned and ridden by Mrs Ruth Turner

3rd: Tinkerbelle, owned by Ross Wilmington, MFH, ridden by Lady Chelsea Hutchings

Cotley Cobs (cobs either hunted with the Cotley or residing within a 10-mile radius of Chard)

1st: A Few Dollars More, owned and ridden by Lindsay Whyte

2nd: Dromlara Gent, owned and ridden by Leisa Lavender

3rd: William, owned and ridden by Toots Sallsbury.

##### Point-to-Point Horse Races

##### Beviss & Beckingsale Cotley Hunt Members

1st: Steeltown, owned by Mr and Mrs J Symes, trained by Mrs K Woollacott and ridden by Mr J Thomas

2nd: Rush N Roll, owned by The Legg Family, trained by Mr NJ Legg and ridden by Mr M Legg

3rd: Lajdaal, owned by Mr and Mrs L Turner, trained by Mr G Herrod and ridden by Mr D Andrews.

##### Henry Bowers Ltd Countryside Alliance Club Members

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2nd: Duxy Hill Lady, owned by Miss K Tripp, trained by Miss K Tripp and ridden by Miss L Mager

3rd: Carrickmines, owned by Mrs D Beilby, trained by Mr G Beilby.

##### The Dalry Farm Services South West Ltd Open Maiden for four to seven year olds

1st: Morbihan, owned by The Pike Family, trained by Mr R Pike, ridden by Mr R Henderson

2nd: Arcs Abound, owned by Mr & Mrs Alers-Hankey and Mr & Mrs Nute, trained by Miss L Gardner.

##### The Brewin Dolphin Mixed Open

1st: Benedictus, owned by Messrs Barrow, Cotton, Trevarthen, Twyford, trained by Mr J Barber, ridden by Mr W Biddick

2nd: The Wealerdealer, owned by Miss R Barnett, trained by Mr I Chanin and ridden by Mr I Chanin

3rd: Parkham Jack, owned by Mr and Mrs J Symes, trained by Mrs K Woollacott.

##### The Bearnas Hampton & Littlewood Restricted

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2nd: Village Whispers, owned by Mr C Bright, trained by Mrs J Bright and ridden by Mr M Legg

3rd: Amber River, owned by Mrs R Newman, trained by Chloe Newman, ridden by Mr J Newman.

◆ **WHAT A LOOKER:** Tom, a 16.3hh Shire x Clydesdale, ridden by the youngest competitor, 16 year old Lil Van Puyenbroek, who won the best turned out prize and finished second in their race.



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## Dorset Football news

### Balti turn up the heat

#### Senior League

WITH title contenders Chickerell United and Holt United sharing the points, The Balti House moved nine points clear at the top following their 5-2 win at South Cheriton.

However, Chickerell have three games in hand and Holt, who are 12 points behind, have five games in hand.

Piddletrenthide Spartans stay fourth despite losing 3-1 at home to Gillingham Town Reserves, Neil Kellaway scored the consolation.

Meanwhile, a Ros Boatwain goal couldn't save struggling Portland United Reserves from a defeat 3-1 by visitors Corfe Mullen United.

Alex Travers and Jamie Yates scored for Dorchester Sports in their 2-2 draw with Sturminster Newton United.

#### Division One

KANGAROOS completed their fixtures with a 4-1 victory at Swanage

& Herston United Reserves.

They are currently second but could be overhauled by Westland Sports Reserves who are six points behind but still have five games to play.

#### Division Two

ELLIOTT Gould scored both goals for Portland Town who were thumped 7-2 by new leaders Milborne Port.

#### Division Three League Cup

DARREN Greening scored a hat-trick as Maiden Newton & Cattistock continue to lead Section A following their 3-1 home win over Stickland United.

Sturminster Newton United Reserves stay in second place after their 3-1 win at Stalbridge.

#### Division Four & Five League Cup

PORTLAND Town suffered their first defeat in Section A, beaten 5-2

by Wool & Winfrith Reserves who go top.

Portland United Youth made it three wins out of three in Section B following a 4-2 win against UFC Poundbury with goals from Robert Maxstead (2), Matthew Jones and Alex Gould.

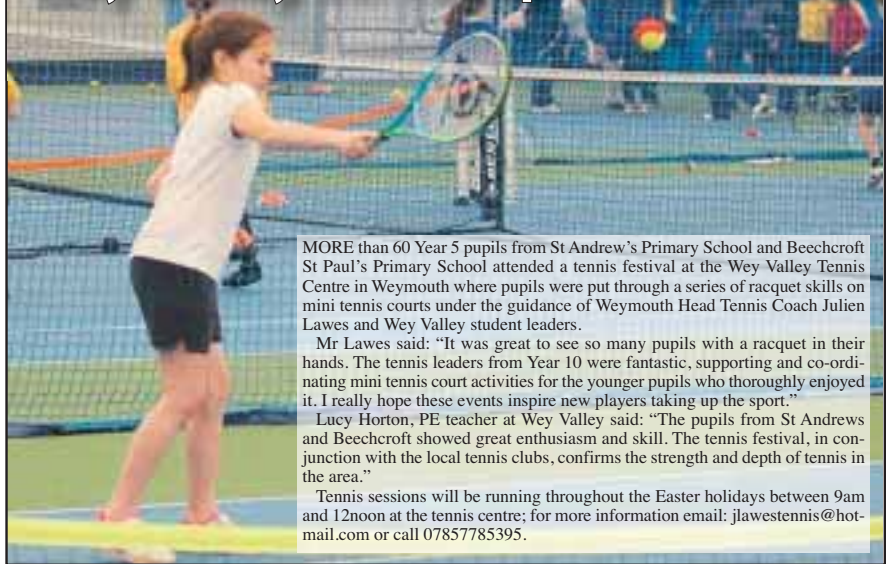
Meanwhile, Owermoigne had their first win in the competition when they beat visitors Donhead United 4-3 with goals from Adam Laing (2), Steve Fookes and Will Thrower.

In Section C, Portland Town B moved up to second spot in with a 3-2 home win over AFC Blandford Reserves thanks to a hat-trick from Josh Basquil.

Kangaroos Reserves went down 3-0 Pimperne Sports Society

Charlie Allen, Matthew Murray while Liam Parsons were on target for second place side UFC Poundbury in Section D as they beat their visitors Marnhull 3-2.

### Wey Valley serves up tennis treat



MORE than 60 Year 5 pupils from St Andrew's Primary School and Beechcroft St Paul's Primary School attended a tennis festival at the Wey Valley Tennis Centre in Weymouth where pupils were put through a series of racquet skills on mini tennis courts under the guidance of Weymouth Head Tennis Coach Julien Lawes and Wey Valley student leaders.

Mr Lawes said: "It was great to see so many pupils with a racquet in their hands. The tennis leaders from Year 10 were fantastic, supporting and co-ordinating mini tennis court activities for the younger pupils who thoroughly enjoyed it. I really hope these events inspire new players taking up the sport."

Lucy Horton, PE teacher at Wey Valley said: "The pupils from St Andrews and Beechcroft showed great enthusiasm and skill. The tennis festival, in conjunction with the local tennis clubs, confirms the strength and depth of tennis in the area."

Tennis sessions will be running throughout the Easter holidays between 9am and 12noon at the tennis centre; for more information email: jlawestennis@hotmail.com or call 07857785395.

## Puddletown Rugby

### Swans overpower the Villagers

#### Puddletown 3

#### Swanage & Wareham 2nd 50

PUDDLETOWN'S poor run of form continued against a strong Swanage & Wareham side on a blustery afternoon at Greenfields.

The home side played with the elements in the first half, but failed to take advantage of the conditions.

Swans scored three tries in the first half, two of which were converted.

But Puddletown's only points of the game came from the boot of full-back Sam Stockley after the visitors were penalised in front of the posts to leave the Villagers trailing 19-3 at half-time.

In the second half, the strong, well drilled Swans side had the advantage of the stiff breeze and went on to score another five unanswered tries.



◆ **LONE  
SCORER:**  
Sam  
Stockley

## World Cup Trophy set to visit Weymouth

RUGBY Union's greatest prize, the Webb Ellis Cup will visit Weymouth & Portland as part of its tour of the UK ahead of the Rugby World Cup 2015 which takes place in September.

The gilded silver trophy, which stands 15 inches (38cm) high, is named after William Webb Ellis, who is credited as the inventor of rugby football.

It will arrive in Weymouth on July 12th to coincide with Weymouth & Portland Rugby Club's Beach Tag / Tag Rugby festival.

Launched on June 10th, 100 days before the opening match, the Rugby World Cup Trophy Tour will travel through Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, Wales and England before arriving at Twickenham Stadium on September 18th ahead of the opening ceremony.

Weymouth & Portland RFC will welcome the tour alongside their annual beach event which is open to everybody who wishes to enter a team from local rugby clubs to cubs, scouts, guides, youth clubs, schools, colleges and sports clubs.

This year the event will take on a World Cup theme with teams encouraged to play as national

teams taking part in this year's World Cup.

Chris Davis, Secretary of Weymouth and Port-



land RFC said: "This will be a great honour for the club and Weymouth and Portland to host the

Trophy Tour at our annual beach rugby festival, and will be a highlight of this year's event."

A spokesperson for England Rugby 2015 said: "With less than six months to go we are delighted to announce that Weymouth & Portland will host the Rugby World Cup Trophy Tour on its 100 day journey across the UK and Ireland."

"It will be the perfect opportunity to excite and engage fans across the UK and Ireland and make 2015 feel like the year of the rugby nation."

Delivering a continuous 100 day tour means we can give as many fans as possible the opportunity to see the Webb Ellis Cup and tell us their rugby story as they countdown to their own tournament experience.

Rugby World Cup Trophy Tour information can be viewed at rugbyworldcup.com/trophy-tour, full details on the locations and events will be updated in the coming months.

#### beach festival booking details

To enter a team in the beach festival, e-mail Chris Davis on beachrugby@weymouthandportlandrfc.org.uk.



## Lyme Skittles

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MENS DIV ONE	P	Pts	BL
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Anthill Mob	13	15	16
Young Guns	13	15	14
Clueless	14	13	7
Skippy's Six	14	12	12
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Flayers	13	9	11
Roadrunners	14	8	10

MENS DIV TWO	P	Pts	BL
Rousdon Rebels	13	18	20
Trappers	13	18	7
Miscellaneous	14	16	19
Wreckers	14	16	18
Alleytwits	13	14	7
President's Men	13	14	17
Skittle Me Timbers	12	10	8
Shakers	12	8	8
British Legion	14	2	10

**Results still to be added;**  
Wild Pins v Hot Gossips (02/02/15), Wootton Wobblers v Hot Gossips (23/02/15), La Crème v Hot Gossips (16/03/15), Wootton Wobblers v Wild Pins (16/03/15), Skittle Me Timbers v Shakers (04/03/15) - game to be rearranged by committee.

**Tonight (Wednesday)**  
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## Hockey

# Ten-goal Beaminster clinch runners-up spot

**Beaminster 10 Gillingham 2nd 0**  
BEAMINSTER ended the season as they started with a ten-goal thrashing, but this time it was Beaminster giving out the hiding!

The West Dorset side beat relegated Gillingham 2nds in their final game.

The visitors were no match for Beaminster who, after finding themselves rock bottom after a third of the season with just four points from seven games, have won 12 of their last 14, to claim runners-up spot in Channel Division One.

Lydia Brooking hit the post within the first 30 seconds before Bella Foot put them ahead on three minutes when she neatly fired home after keeper Laury

Burch had blocked Andrea Prentice's shot.

That became two five minutes later when Prentice set Megan Tuck free and the winger held her nerve to score with aplomb.

Prentice put the result beyond doubt with a third on ten minutes when she pounced to fire home after Brookings's cross looped up off a defender.

A combination of poor finishing, desperate defending and brilliant goal-keeping from Burch prevented Beaminster hitting double figures before the break such was their dominance.

The second half started in the same vein, although the visitors might have

pulled a goal back within three minutes when a brilliant mazy dribble and run from deep set up a one-on-one with keeper Lisa Condliffe who stood tall and the shot was fired wide of the post.

Beaminster replied immediately with two goals in two minutes. First Tuck picked up Prentice's shot from a short corner before thumping her shot past a helpless Burch to make it four.

Moments later Julia May won the ball on the halfway line before feeding Brookings who fired home from an acute angle.

Phoebe Stewart then set up Tuck to complete her hat-trick.

Gillingham by now were wilting fast in the face of the barrage. Brookings played

in Holly Clarke for the seventh and Prentice's persistence made it eight, before she completed her hat-trick following a short corner.

Tuck had the last word with her fourth right on the final whistle.

So Beaminster completed what must be their most successful season for many a year, which following the dreadful start, makes it all the more satisfying.

If they can keep this squad together next year they can go from strength to strength.

**Beaminster:** Lisa Condliffe; Jenny Clarke; Julia May, Ali White, Sarah Davies; Lydia Brooking, Andrea Prentice, Bella Foot; Hannah Dale, Phoebe Stewart, Megan Tuck, Holly Clarke.

## Lyme Golf

# Juniors on form

IN the Three Ball Better Ball three juniors - David Lyon, Stuart Wight & George Seed topped the pile with a brilliant 86 points.

Second, with a masterful silver performance, were Rob Clapp, George Skellern & John Owen with 83 and in third were another young team of George Yorke, Bill Bennett & Jason Contreras on 79.

A mixed team from Lyme defeated Came Down by four and half to three and a half.

In the Midweek Stableford the three aforementioned juniors kept their names in lights as Seed won with 38 points, 2nd was Wight 37 from 3rd Lyon on 35.

Lyme ladies held their charity coffee morning which was well supported with over £700 raised for the captain's charity.

Lady captain Rosie Jackman said she was delighted with the turnout from visitors and club members and the help and support given by Lyme ladies.

The ladies played their Spring 4BBB and Jane Dixon & Jennifer Pollard played well to win with 37 points to just beat Di Smith & Jane Broom (36) into 2nd place.

## Rugby

# Blues unable to stop champions roll

**East Dorset 43 Bridport 14**  
BRIDPORT failed to stop East Dorset maintaining their 100 per cent record this season, going down 43-14 on a blustery afternoon at Iford Lane.

With the strong wind at their backs East Dorset were 26 points to the good before a travel weary Bridport summoned the necessary intensity to make a game of it.

Rallying from the onslaught, the forwards enjoyed a purple patch just before the break with Dave Cutting scoring after a series of pick and go rucks. Rory Greening converted for a half-time score of 31-7.

Bridport fared better in the second half playing a more direct game through the pack; Mike Pibworth and Daragh McCloughlin leading the charge.

Using the wind to gain territorial advantage, the visitors played more of the game in the opposition's half.

From one such incursion Pibworth

stole the ball at a line-out and crashed over to score from close range with Greening adding the two points.

Although East Dorset amassed a further 12 points, Bridport were now competing well.

The game however was decided long before as East Dorset's physicality proved too much for the Blues, as indeed it has for all the other teams in this league.

Bridport's last game of the season will be a home fixture against NEW MILTON on Saturday April 11th.

**Under 10s finish third in Festival**  
WITH some of the worst conditions of the season the Bridport U10 squad took to the field in the pouring rain to play their first group match.

Their first opponents in the round-robin competition were North Dorset who were by far the strongest of the six teams entered, and the young Blues

were soon on the back foot as they struggled to contain the attacking runners resulting in defeat by four tries to nil.

If the first game was anything to go by this was going to be a challenging day with Dorchester as the next opposition. But Bridport finally got into their stride and, as confidence grew they began putting in tackles and started to attack themselves, resulting in them scoring their first try and securing the win.

With another two wins to follow the team displayed an entertaining style of rugby and they grew as a squad throughout the day.

A loss in the final game against Sherborne saw them finish a well-deserved third overall.

Man of the match in the group stages was Harry Courtice who crossed the line six times with strong and direct running and the occasional side step; showing hints of what's to come.

### Under 9s show potential

ALTHOUGH the U9s did not make the latter stages of the Dorchester Festival they showed what progress they had made during the season with some strong performances.

First up they played a very well-drilled North Dorset, losing by five tries to nil which was no disgrace as their victors went on to beat Bath in the final.

In their next game against the hosts, Dorchester, Bridport rallied strongly from two tries down to score three of their own, through Charles Edwards (2) and Barney Johnson.

But this wasn't enough to land them a semi-final against Bath, but they had a good game against Kingswood winning 7-6 with tries from Johnson (3) Edwards (2) Patrick May and Abi Alner.

They lost their final round-robin game against Sherborne 8-7 with Johnson (4) Edwards (2) and Alner scoring.

# Gayle approaching!

By HOWARD LARCOMBE

BATTEN down the hatches and board up the windows within 120 yards of County ground - for there's a Gayle force storm approaching from the West!

The news that Somerset have secured the services of West Indies legend Chris Gayle for a three-week period has alerted cricket fans across the west Country.

The 35-year-old hard-hitting opening batsman has put pen to paper to appear in the following NatWest T20 Blast matches; May 22nd Somerset v Sussex (at Taunton)

May 29th Essex v Somerset

May 31st Somerset v Kent (at Taunton)

June 5th Somerset v Hampshire (at Taunton)

June 12th Somerset v Surrey (at Taunton)

June 13th Glamorgan v Somerset

(There is a chance that Gayle will not arrive in Taunton until May 29th depending on his progress in the Indian Premier League with the Royal Challengers Bangalore).

Gayle has proven pedigree across all forms of the game having 103 test matches (7,214 runs) and 268 ODI's (9,160 runs) under his belt.

But it is in the T20 format that he really has shone.

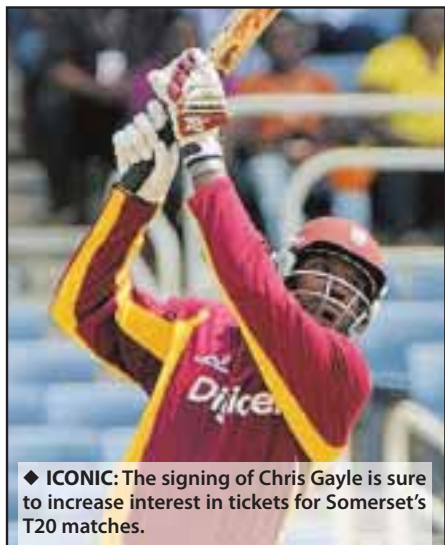
Gayle has played 240 T20 matches and clubbed a colossal 573 maximums during that time!

A former captain of the West Indies - in all formats - Gayle had a mixed time at the soon to be completed

50 over World Cup in Australia having broken the competition record with a jaw-dropping 215 against Zimbabwe in Canberra - although this was subsequently topped by New Zealander Martin Guptill's unbeaten 237 just days later.

But this was tempered by a back injury that will keep the Jamaican out of the upcoming three test series on home soil against England.

Tickets for T20 matches at Taunton are available at £20ea or £109 for a block of all seven home matches - see club website for more details and availability.



◆ **ICONIC:** The signing of Chris Gayle is sure to increase interest in tickets for Somerset's T20 matches.

# Bridport experiences world class squash

MEMBERS of Bridport Squash and Racketball Club were treated to an exhibition of top quality singles and doubles squash by three world class players last Friday writes Roger Lewis.

The packed audience marvelled at the talents of England international and professional Eddie Charlton who at the height of his career was ranked 51 in the world, and also plays number one for Nottingham in the PSL, as well as Emma Beddoes and Kirsty McPhee.

Beddoes is a leading professional lady player and junior England international who is currently ranked 16th in the world, her highest to date, whilst McPhee is a professional squash coach who in her playing career was world ranked 53 and is now resident at Pontefract and Leeds University.

Also on court were Chapel Allerton's gifted number five Adam Wellstead, along with Bridport's own talented coach Jason Martin.

The format was for the some of the top Bridport players to pit their wits against the professionals in fifteen minute sessions and to see how many points could be scored against them.

What everybody saw was how the game was played, involving a wide variation of shots from deep boasts, accurate serving, trick shots which wrong footed a lot of the amateurs, and good length shots along with the tactical play.

Following this the crowd were treated to an exhibition match between Charlton and Wellstead which demonstrated the demands of playing squash at a very high level. With all the shots in the book being played, it re-



**WORLD CLASS ENTERTAINMENT:** Line-up, from left - Eddie Charlton, Kirsty McPhee, Kyle Jennings, Martin Jennings (Chairman, Bridport Squash Club), Nick Neale (General Manager, Bridport Leisure Centre), Jason Martin, Adam Wellstead, Emma Beddoes.

sulted in a series of long rallies developing, proving that you have to be very fit to play squash at a high level.

Martin and Wellstead produced another brilliant exhibition of match play with both players not giving an inch in a very tight best of three games which was eventually won by Wellstead.

A wonderful display of two top quality doubles matches followed. The first saw Wellstead & Martin play Charlton & McPhee. This had everything; fine trick, drop shots, tactical shots and a lot of deception.

During the doubles match, Bridport's up and coming 15-year old youngster Kyle Jennings teamed up with Charlton against Martin & McPhee.

To see young Jennings partnering Charlton to victory and not be overawed as he demonstrated his knowledge of the game, really was the highlight of the evening.

For details and information with regards to Bridport Squash & Racketball Club you can visit Bridport Leisure Centre and view our notice boards at the Squash courts, visit the Bridport Squash & Racketball Club Facebook page or contact the Chairman Martin Jennings direct on 07800 966 161.

UPPLYME Cricket Club is hoping to enter Under 11, Under 13 and Under 15 teams in the West Dorset Junior Leagues this season.

All players are welcome to attend training and join the club.

The U11s training gets underway on Saturday, April 25th from 9.30 to 11am, whilst the older age groups start on Wednesday, April 22nd from 4 to 5.30pm

All sessions take place at the King George Playing Fields, Uplyme.

For further details contact Eddie Clarke on 07474682941 or see the club website for special parent / child memberships at [www.uplymeandlymeregiscricketclub.com](http://www.uplymeandlymeregiscricketclub.com)

## Youth football

# Lyme fall just short

Perry Street U12 3

Lyme Regis 2

GOALS from skipper Brooklyn Wilkins and Ethan Matthews saw the young Seaside's battle back from 3-0 down before falling just short at Tatworth on Sunday.

Benedict Ward was manager Martyn Wright's pick as MoM.  
◆ After a series of successful training sessions Lyme Regis are set to enter an under 10s team in the East Devon League next season.



## Bridport Skittles

CUP fixtures:

**Portman Handicap R4**  
Monday, March 30th; Brandy Snaps v Hidden Talent (6).

**Tuesday March 31st**; Whisky Chasers (18) v Lively Lads, Bulldogs v Yo Yo's (23).

**Wednesday, April 1st**; Nelson Nobblers v Pioneers (19).

**Nomination Cup - SF**  
Wednesday, April 1st

**BRADPOLE CLUB**: Shipfaced v Rejects.

**Thursday, April 2nd**  
**TIGER**: Wanderers v Countrymen.

**Mens Pairs R4**  
Tuesday, March 31st

**SHAVE CROSS**: L Dare & C Barnes; C Willcox & N Willcox; A Paulley & R Frampton; N Pye & A Huxter; D Cooper & R Pincombe; M. Horton & I Pincombe; S Pitcher & A Cauldwell; D Cowburn & G Hyett.

**Ladies Threes Final**  
Wednesday, April 1st

**LODERS ARMS**: Yondover v Threes; Middle Talent; 3H's; Brandy Snaps.

Division A	Pld	Pts
Wanderers	17	32
Masters	17	24
Rejects	17	23
Shipfaced	15	22
Rockets	18	20
Rough Eight	18	20
Lively Lads	18	16
Outsiders	16	14
Denhay	16	13
Broad Oak	18	9
Slingsers	17	8
The Dingles	18	5

Division B	Pld	Pts
Nelson Nobblers	17	30
Dingbats	18	26
Originals	17	24
U Know the Blokes	18	23
NBC	17	20
Miss The Ball	18	16
Crazy Gang	18	14
Gerryatrics	18	14
Bangers	17	13
7" Clock	18	1
LHS	18	12
Mean Machine	18	8

Division C	Pld	Pts
Countrymen	18	30
Castours	18	28
Whiskey Chasers	17	23
Pioneers	16	22
Bulldozers	17	18
Strawpedoes	15	15
Aussies Lot	17	14
Unknowns	17	14
Pinseekers	18	13
Alcoholics	18	12
Survivors	18	12
AFAR	17	5

Division D	Pld	Pts
Yo Yo's	18	26
Stingers	18	24
Groundhogs	16	22
Let 'em Roll	17	22
Alleycats	18	20
Brandy Snaps	17	18
Featherbeds	17	18
Hidden Talent	16	18
Offcuts	16	17
Bad Girls	17	9
Pinbashers	18	6
Tiger Lilies	18	6

## Bees news

# Goal drought finally ends as Bees go nap

### Bridport 5 Bishop Sutton 1

Toolstation Premier - att; 121

AFTER four games of firing blanks Bridport broke the shackles to hit bottom side Bishop Sutton for five at St Mary's Field, and with a little bit more luck, and better finishing, it could have been many more.

After 10 games without a victory the Bees went into the match needing a victory to boost their confidence which had been low of late, and with the Bishops not having won since November and suffering 15 consecutive losses since, it was the ideal opportunity.

They even gave the Bees a man advantage for the first ten minutes because three players, including the two subs, were delayed due to traffic congestion on the M5.

Tom Richardson should have given the Bees a fifth minute lead when he broke through but he took so long deciding his options, defenders got back to shut him out.

Richardson almost scored a minute later when Adam Symes put Warren Byerley through but his goalbound effort was superbly blocked by Ashley Milkins.

As the ball broke loose Richardson produced a excellent overhead kick which brought an equally brilliant reaction save from keeper George Dempsey diving low to his left to palm it away.

Finally Szymon Gromek arrived to make up the numbers and almost immediately Andy Elcock set up Tom Palmer but his shot was wide of the far post.

Then Matt Morley broke down the left before crossing to the near post where defender George Thorne de-

flected the ball onto his own post.

The breakthrough came on 20 minutes when Richardson beat his marker before playing the ball down the channel to Byerley who turned inside his marker and stroked the ball across Dempsey into the far corner of the net.

They doubled the lead two minutes later when Richardson rose at the far post to head home Dan Wise's corner from six yards.

Despite Bridport's dominance, captain Jake McCormick worked hard leading the line, and he was almost rewarded on the half hour, but his 25-yard shot was inches wide of the upright.

Bridport increased their lead on 37 minutes and effectively sealed the points when Matt Condliffe's cross from found Chris Clarke at the far post whose downward header was push it up into the net by Dempsey.

### Woodwork...again!

Morley almost added a fourth in first half add time when his cross drifted over Dempsey's head but hit the inside of the far post before being hacked away.

Bridport were rocked three minutes after the break when the Bishops pulled a goal back when Gromek nodded Dan Sheldon's cross in off the post.

Bridport's reply was instant, and straight from the kick-off man of the match Sean Stewart played in Morley who drew Dempsey before calmly chipping the keeper.

Byerley almost added another two minutes later with a spectacular overhead bicycle kick that rattled the crossbar.

The woodwork came to the visitors' aid twice more when first Byerley's cross hit a defender and struck the bar,

before Morley's run and cross was cut out by Thorne who, for the second time in the game, deflected the ball on to the post.

He finally got on the scoresheet on 78 minutes when he deflected sub Chris Senior's angled shot into the net to complete the scoring, before Bridport struck the woodwork for a sixth time following a deflected Richardson shot.

Manager Trevor Senior said: "It's strange; I didn't really enjoy the game that much. The players seemed a little unsettled; I think it was frustration, and they were desperate to get a win which will lift everybody now."

"But fair play to them (Bishop Sutton) they kept going all the time. They weren't great, but I thought McCormick worked hard on his own up front, Gromek was strong and the keeper made a few good saves."

"The only disappointing thing was the goal we conceded which was a free header, but all in all it was a win we needed."

"We could have done with a few more goals to boost the goal difference, but at least we created quite a few chances and hit the woodwork a number of times."

"I thought Sean Stewart deserved the MoM award he covered a lot of ground and worked hard, and Matt Morley got in some good crosses."

With only five games left, Senior is looking to pick up maximum points over Easter with games away at STREET (Good Friday) and home to GILLINGHAM Town on Easter Monday (1pm ko).

## Water tight Ressies

HAMWORTHY UTD RES 0 BRIDPORT RES 2

THE pleasing thing about this win from manager Robin Townsend's point of view was the fact that his charges had kept a clean sheet for the fourth consecutive game against second bottom side Hamworthy United Reserves.

The Bees manager said: "It was a regulation win and we should have scored a lot more, but the pleasing aspect was that we kept another clean sheet."

Dan Peart gave them the lead after 10 minutes with a cross-cum-shot that flew into the top corner giving the keeper no chance.

Top scorer Jack Scovell was then rewarded for his hard work when he added a second towards the end with a shot from 18 yards high into the net.

Townsend, who stands down at the end of the season, was pleased with the general display of his team but once again was critical of the chances they spurned.

"They didn't trouble us throughout the game, although I thought they might give it a go in the second half when we were only a goal up, but didn't, and the nearest they came to scoring was a free kick that went over the bar."

"However, we didn't take our chances again. We had four very good opportunities in the first half but only took one, and it was similar in the second half."

The Ressies have a busy fixture list before their Dorset Senior Trophy final against CHICKERELL UNITED on Tuesday, April 28th.

They were due to meet PORTLAND UNITED at St Mary's last night, before entertaining CRANBORNE on Saturday. They then travel to second place HAMWORTHY RECREATION on Easter Monday.

## School Sports

# Woodroffe Under 13s cricketers find it tough

THE Woodroffe School Under 13s produced a valiant effort when they represented West Dorset in the recent Dorset County Girls Indoor Cricket Finals.

Divided into two round-robin groups of three, they lost the toss in the first game against Bournemouth Grammar School and were asked to bat.

Gemma Bowditch got the game off to a great start when she hit the first ball back over the bowlers head for four whilst Georgie Machin played sensibly and scored six before she was bowled.

The batsmen that followed played some aggressive shots but found themselves caught out

off the sidewalls, and so an innings that had started positively subsided to 27 all out.

Katie Henderson opened the bowling in reply and took a wicket in her first over, before bagging another in her second. Clara Jeavons also took two wickets in her overs but she could not stop the BSG batsman from reaching their target.

In the second game against Glenmoor, Woodroffe once again lost the toss and were asked to bat.

This time they showed a lot more resilience. Bowditch batted through the innings for 14 not out ably supported by Henderson (9) and Machin (6) as Woodroffe totalled 84.

Once again Henderson had success in her first over taking a wicket and only conceding eight runs, but unfortunately the other bowlers could not take any more wickets and it was left to Jeavons to bowl the last over with Glenmoor needing only four to win.

It looked as though the captain might pull it off when a smart piece of fielding produced a run out, but it was not to be; Glenmoor passed the total with two balls to spare.

Coach Eddie Clarke said: "The girls can be proud of themselves. They have made excellent progress in the short time that they have been learning the game."



◆ GREAT EXPERIENCE: The Woodroffe Under 13s girls cricket team who represented West Dorset.

## Ton up Max going strong

BRIDPORT & West Dorset Bowling Club member Max Dare has just celebrated playing his 100th game for Dorset.

Max is one of the town's best

known characters, and in addition to being a top bowler, he is also a big skittler and huge supporter of Bridport Football Club.

Spokesperson Brian Baker said: "Max is playing as good as ever and still relatively young in the bowls world, so he could go on and smash all appearance records for the county."

Bridport wrapped up their mixed friendly season with another fine win, beating Gillingham 90-58 overall.

Top rink award went to Gerry Moss, Penny Pitther, Jill Harding and Martin Wilton. A

good start put them 10-2 up after six ends which they increased to 18-5 by the end of the tenth, before finally winning 27-11.

Robin Pitther, Beryl Stork, Brian Prtt and Keith Jenkins were 14-15 down, before a great 2,3,6,1 finish gave them a 26-5 win. Sylvia and Mike Fletcher, Rosie Wilton and David Aylott were also trailing 10-11, but turned it round with a 1,4,4,1,1,1 burst to record a 19-12 victory.

Pat and Robin Cowmeadow, Barbara Jenkins and Phil Hedges looked like taking another scalp as they led 18-12 after 17 ends, but the visitors had some cheer as they finished 3,2,1,2 for a 20-18 win.



◆ CENTURY MAN: Max Dare

## Novice Barracudas clinch third spot

BRIDPORT Barracudas Swimming Club took third place in the B Final of the recent Novice League meet at Weymouth.

Despite fierce competition from Wareham, North Dorset, Swim Bournemouth and Blandford, the Barracudas finally finished third overall with some excellent swims that saw them gain nine first and ten second places from the team.

Holly Dickinson, Otto Harvey-Tkachuk (2) and Jess St Barb-Baker also received 'speeding tickets'.

### promising future

Coach Dan Dew said he was extremely pleased with the team as they swam really well and finished the league with a strong performance which is promising for the future.

Team: F Mackey, S Harvey-



◆ GREAT PERFORMANCE: The Barracudas Novice team that secured third place in the Novice B Final.

Tkachuk, O Harvey-Tkachuk, C Dickinson, H Dickinson, C Sloman, J St Barb-Baker, Z Harrison, C Burns, H Stewart, J Fursman, E Norton, K Wheeler, C Hussey, A Elliott, E Parker, N Moore, A Moore, J Bradley, T Farrington, T McDonnald, B Hewitt and W St Barb-Baker.

## Bridport Darts

Division One	Pld	Pts
BSC	18	32
Knapp Inn	19	24
Robb's Robbers	19	24
Nomads	18	23
Outsiders	18	19
Hands of Time	18	17
Nags Head A	18	16
Rubber Johns	18	15
It's in the Middle	18	14
The Hitmen	18	13
One for the Vikings	18	3

180s leaders: Tony Young & Sam Legg both x8, Terry Prowse x6, Mark Fisher x5, six players all x4, six players x3.

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Young Darters	18	31
Odds or Us	17	23
Elders	17	23
Dart Team	17	21
Les Miserables	17	21
Poachers	17	15
Royal Hawks	17	13
Anchor Vale Viewers	17	11
Flashes Fives	17	9
The Surgeons	18	4

180s leaders: Andy Reid & P. Rowley both x4, Alistair Couits & Robin Townsend both x3, five players all x2, eight players x1.

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Midnight Runners	17	23
Otter Rotters	17	23
Time Bombs	17	20
Inbetweeners	17	20
Mis Fit	17	18
Anchor Five	16	18
Only Just	17	14
The Royal Nuts	16	12
Odds & Sods	16	8
Tip Top Odds	16	7

180s leaders: Chris Eaton, Andre Reynolds & Paul Bearpark all x3, James Crabb x2, eight players x1.

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Tiger Bees	17	24
Dodgers	18	23
No Direction	16	23
Robbie's Rebels	17	23
Sorted Odds	18	20
Whamo	16	19
Con Artists	17	15
Mozzies Heroes	17	10
Red Arrows	18	8
Money Shotz Mafia	18	7
180s leaders: Billy Hallett, Paul Norman, J Hunter, Dan Rawlings, Bob Rendell, Fran Potter, Andy Page & Kevin Day (all x1).		

Ladies Division One	Pld	Pts
Tender Trap	23	39
Anchor Aces	23	34
Clocking In	24	31
Knight 'n' Gals	24	30
Queen Bees	24	23
Against the Odds	23	17
Queenies of the Club	24	8
Cliff Hangers	23	6

180s: Sarah Chick x4, Janet Collins & Tina Dawe both x2, Sharon Poole, Liz Vowells & Sue Violet all x1.

Ladies Division Two	Pld	Pts
Sue's Rebels	21	34
Castaways	22	34
Tracey's Tarts	22	27
Next Door	21	24
Wildcats	21	22
Good Mates	21	16
Anchor Aweigh	21	16
Tiger Stripes	21	13
Charlie's Angels	22	6

180s leaders: L.Sweet x1

## Lyme Regis

Current table	Pld	Pts
Rousdon Club	19	37
Nags Head A	19	35
Nags Z	18	26
Rockpoint	18	26
Janners	17	18
Four Play	19	18
Talbot Arms	17	16
Royal Standard	18	14
Hunters Lodge	18	12
Cobb Arms	18	10
George	19	6
Half an Octopus	18	0

180s: Terry Prowse x10, Mark Barnett x6, Wayne Doble x4, R.Cross x3, Chris Higgs, Mark Doherty, Tom Bond & Matt Brotherton x2, six x1.

## Short Mat Bowls

Axe Valley A/N D2	Pd	+/-	Pts
Chard B	9	174	13
St Teresa's	9	163	12
Hyemock	9	151	11
LYME REGIS	19	44	11
Musbury	10	47	11
Combe St Nic A	10	-16	6
Seaton Cliff A	10	-281	6



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## INSIDE: local sport round-up

# Jermyn happy with hard earned point at Steel Park

### Corby Town 2 Dorchester Town 2

*Southern Premier – att; 780*

PLAYER manager Mark Jermyn was not too disappointed with a point at Corby Town despite conceding an equaliser from the penalty spot in added time.

"It was definitely a penalty so we can have no complaints. The disappointment was that we were working very hard and had the chance to clear the ball but didn't take the option, and when their lad drove into the box, Jamie Gleeson's momentum took him into the player.

"On reflection it was a good point against a top team that earlier in the season we would not have expected to have got anything from."

The Magpies went behind after two minutes when Greg Mills prodded the ball under Alan Walker-Harris from an acute angle despite Bradley Tarbuck's attempt at clearing.

The Steelmen bombarded Walker-Harris for much of the first half but a series of brave and brilliant saves from the glove-

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man, and some stout defending, saw Dorchester go in at the break just a goal down.

Jermyn said: "It was a shame we conceded early as we had discussed how to set up, but having said that Alan had a very good game, and by changing our shape slightly we got to half-time just a goal down.

"At the break we identified the problems and changed to match them up in the second half."

As a result Dorchester grew into the game and equalised on 75 minutes through sub Mark Irvine who drove into the area before firing past Paul Walker.

Then, in the last minute of normal time, the Magpies took the lead when Irvine turned creator releasing Lewis Morgan who beat a defender, and Walker, to the

ball before rounding them and slotting home.

It looked like three points for Dorchester until Mills grabbed the late equaliser.

Irvine's performance has given the manager something to think about. "There hasn't been a real opportunity to use him as much as we would have liked, but scoring and setting the other up he has certainly done enough to be considered for next week."

Jermyn still insists his players do not let standards drop now that it appears they are almost safe from relegation.

"We don't want to write this season off; we want to win every game to keep the momentum going to set us up for next season.

"We have lined up targets for next year we hope to bring to the club, so it is important all the players are still fighting to stay at the club as we have to work within the budget guidelines.

"We have a tough finish, but it gives the players a chance to judge their levels."

### Stacey Legge

**DORCHESTER** Town President Stacey Legge has died. The club stalwart passed away on Monday (30th).

A statement on the club's website reads: "It is with deep sadness that the club learned that Club President, Stacey Legge, passed away on Monday 30th March.

The club's condolences go out to Stacey's wife Maria, daughter Sarah Jane, son Russell and all his family, as well as remembering his son Alex who tragically passed away in 2014.

Stacey has been a stalwart of the club for many years. He was a long serving member of the supporters club and of the former management committee of the club in the Western League era.

Following a period living in London he was a founder member of the Board of Directors following incorporation in 1978.

Stacey was promoter of the highly successful Moonraker lottery in the 80's and also represented the club on the management committee of The Southern Football League.

He was appointed president in 2009 and attended all home games this season where his powerful deep gravelly voice could be heard bellowing "Up the Magpies". **RIP Stacey**



◆ Stacey Legge

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